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Conservatives keep control of county council following election

WEYMOUTH'S Lodmoor Country Park was awash with colour at the weekend as Weldmar Hospiscare Trust held its Colour Run and Bubble Rush (pictured) fundraisers.

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THE Conservatives have kept control of Dorset County Council, but have lost their leader after Robert Gould lost his seat to Liberal Democrat candidate Jon Andrews in the Sherborne Town division.

Mr Gould was also formerly leader of West Dorset District Council; he stepped down to focus on his county council duties but remains a district councillor for Queen Thorne.

Elsewhere across West Dorset and Weymouth & Portland, Conservative seats were held in Chickerell and Chesil Bank with Jean Dunseith gaining 1,624 votes ; in Three Valleys with Jill Haynes receiving 1,853 votes; and also in the Beaminster and Marshwood Vale districts.

Conservative seats were gained in Broadwey with Kevin Brookes gaining 1,128 votes, in Lodmoor with Anthony Ferrari receiving 1,702 votes, and in Portland Tophill with Katharine Garcia gaining 995 votes.

Green candidate John Orell was elected as county councillor for

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Abbotsbury cygnets herald the start of summer

THE first baby swans of 2017 have hatched at Abbotsbury Swannery – a welcome sign that summer can't be far away.

Legend has it that the arrival of the first cygnet at Abbotsbury heralds the start of summer.

This year there are around 100 nests at Abbotsbury, which means hundreds of the fluffy youngsters emerging over the next six weeks.

The sight of the newly-hatched baby swans has delighted staff at the Swannery, which saw an outbreak of bird flu in January.

Swanherd Steve Groves said: "It has been wonderful to see such a good number of pairs nesting.

"It was largely the younger birds which were affected by avian flu, so the number of breeding pairs have been relatively unaffected.

"The swans usually mate for life and we get to know each couple.

"With 100 nests and an average of six eggs to a nest, there will soon be cygnets everywhere!"

The Swannery is the only place in the world where visitors can walk through a colony of mute swans, see cygnets hatching and learning to swim and participate in mass feedings.

The swans lay their eggs at two day intervals and hatching takes place 35 days after the final egg of the clutch has been laid.

Swanherds feed the adult swans twice a day on wheat grains while the cygnets are fed three times daily on chick crumb, a crushed pellet full of protein. Their parents also feed the cygnets algae, other vegetation and grubs.

Visitors can walk safely among the nests while hundreds of baby swans are hatching out on to the paths. This tremendous spectacle is one of the highlights of the English summer. For more information visit www.abbotsbury-tourism.co.uk/swannery

■ THE first cygnet of 2017 at Abbotsbury Swannery on Nest Number 1

The Prince of Wales visits Kingcombe Meadows to celebrate 30th anniversary

DORSET Wildlife Trust (DWT) was honoured to welcome The Prince of Wales to its Kingcombe Meadows Nature Reserve on Monday.

Prince Charles visited the Coronation Meadow – Lady's Mead – to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the nature reserve. The prince is a patron of the Wildlife Trusts.

Lady's Mead was selected as a Coronation Meadow to mark the 60th anniversary of the Queen's Coronation in 2013, in a project led by The Prince of Wales to address the reported loss of 97 per cent of the UK's wildflower meadows since the Second World War.

Seeds from Lady's Mead have been used to create and restore meadows across West Dorset, to help secure the UK's wildflower heritage for the next 60 years.

DWT is also celebrating the 30th anniversary of the acquisition of Kingcombe Meadows Nature Reserve. The Prince of Wales last visited in 1988, one year after the purchase of the 327 acre reserve, when he generously donated funding from the Duke of Cornwall's Benevolent Fund to repair fencing and gates.

The Kingcombe Centre, which was established shortly after the purchase of the nature reserve, runs a variety of educational and recreational courses and events, with accommodation and tearooms for visitors from near and far to enjoy.

DWT Chief Executive, Dr Simon Cripps, said: "Today we were delighted to show The Prince of Wales the improvements and changes we've made since his last visit to the nature reserve, nearly 30 years ago.

"We are proud to run a traditional farm, grazed by cows and sheep, without the use of pesticides or artificial fertilisers to encourage good quality grassland, supporting a diverse abundance of wildflowers.

"The nature reserve and centre are both core parts of the local community and contribute greatly to helping DWT achieve its aims to spread the conservation message, and help people learn about how engaging with wildlife can improve their lives."

DWT West Dorset Conservation Officer, Nick Gray, said: "Lady's Mead holds a marvellous array of wild flowers, which support a host of insect pollinators like butterflies and bumble bees.

"Its botanical diversity makes Lady's Mead a perfect 'donor' meadow.

"Wildflower seed has been transferred to other local sites in freshly cut 'green hay', and as brush-harvested and hand-harvested seed, some of which is used to grow 'Coronation Meadow provenance' wild flower plug plants.

"Walking through the meadow with The Prince of Wales today, the sward and the sky above were full of wildlife, and it was a real privilege to show off our beautiful reserve."

At various times of the year wildflower species found at Lady's Mead include common knapweed, corky-fruited water dropwort, and rarities including saw-wort and pepper saxifrage.

Marbled white butterflies, froghoppers and meadow grasshoppers can be seen in the meadow, as well as the iconic wildflower yellow rattle.

For more information about the Kingcombe Meadows Nature Reserve and the Kingcombe Centre, including the society of wildlife artists art exhibition running on the Spring Bank Holiday, visit www.kingcombe.org

■ DWT chief executive Simon Cripps, HRH Prince Charles and DWT stockperson Ashlea Kirk looking at cattle
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Tories keep control at county council

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Weymouth Town after receiving 810 votes, and Clare Sutton was re-elected in Rodwell, also for the Green Party, gaining 1,474 votes.

The Liberal Democrats held seats in Dorchester - with the party's West Dorset parliamentary candidate Andy Canning receving 2,871 votes - and Richard Biggs receiving 2,799. The Lib Dems also won in Linden Lea with Nick Ireland receiving 1,317 votes and in Westham with David Best Harris 1,155.

The only Labour and Co-operative seat at Dorset County Council was gained by Kate Wheller, who serves the Portland Tophill division. She was re-elected, receiving 1,282 votes.

Across Dorset, the Conservatives won 32 seats, the Liberal Democrats won 11 – one less than they achieved at the last election - the Green Party won two, and the Labour and Co-operative won one. The Labour Party had previously gained five seats at the 2013 election.

More than 153,500 votes were cast in the county council elections, up from 125,682 in 2013, with a total turnout of 33.15 per cent.

There are 17 new members of the county council and 29 county councillors have been re-elected.

A total of 46 councillors were elected, one more than in 2013, following the division boundary review of Dorset in 2015.

NAO Victoria calls in to port

WEYMOUTH Harbour visitors have found an added attraction in recent days.

A replica of a Spanish ship which sailed around the world has been open to the public and will remain in place until May 14th, open from 10am to 7pm.

The four-deck NAO Victoria (pictured) was one of only five ships to circumnavigate the world between 1519 and 1522. It was originally commanded by Ferdinand Magellan and, following his death during the voyage, by Juan Sebastian Elcano.

The expedition began on August 10, 1519 with five ships. The 85-ton Victoria, with its crew of 42, was the only ship to complete the voyage, returning on September 6, 1522 with its crew down to just 18.

During the journey the vessel discovered

During the journey the vessel discovered a new westbound route to the "Spice Islands" (Indonesia).

The replica on show in Weymouth was built in Spain in 1991.

In order to commemorate the first sailing around the world the replica started another trip around the globe in 2004 starting from Seville. Up to 26,894 miles were covered between 2004 and 2006 visiting 17 countries.

The replica of the NAO Victoria was the first historical replica to circumnavigate the Earth.

Landslip causes footpath closure

ACCESS to part of the coastal path has been closed on Portland after a landslip.

The route, at East Weare, near the prison, was shut after a boulder fall damaged a sewage pipe, which will now need to be replaced.

Wessex Water have been using tankers to intercept the flow upstream of the damaged pipe and say residents should not notice any difference to their normal service.

But for walkers the closure of the path has caused problems.

Wessex Water say the footpath had been closed to protect the public and its staff, and is unable to say how long it will last.

Police appeal following assault

POLICE investigating an assault in Weymouth are appealing for witnesses to come forward.

At approximately 9.20pm on Sunday, April 23rd the victim was walking his dog along Radipole Lane opposite the fire station when a man shone a green laser pen into the eyes of the dog.

The laser caused the dog to bolt forward and aggravated an existing back injury the victim had received.

The victim – a local man aged in his 40s – fell to the ground and the offender shone the pen into the man's eyes before leaving the scene.

The offender is described as white, six feet tall, of medium build and was wearing a brown jacket.

Police Constable Gareth Morris, of Weymouth police, said: "Due to the circumstances of the assault, the victim is likely to have to undergo surgery to repair damage caused to his back following this incident.

"I am appealing to anyone who witnessed this incident or who saw a man with a laser in the area on that evening to please contact Dorset Police."

Anyone with information is asked to contact Dorset Police via email 101@dorset.pnn.police.uk or by calling 101, quoting occurrence number 55170059225.

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Sea Cadets honoured with freedom parade

WEYMOUTH'S Sea Cadets are being honoured with a freedom parade and church service this Saturday, May 13th.

More than 100 serving Sea Cadets from the Weymouth unit will be joined by the Portland Sea Cadet Band and cheering families and public as they march proudly through the town centre, exercising their right to march through the borough's streets with drums beating and flags flying.

Nick Thornley, Head of Economy, Leisure and Tourism at Weymouth and Portland Borough Council, said: "It will be a great spectacle and celebration to have the Sea Cadets march in their first parade since being awarded the Freedom of the Borough in February, recognising their achievements and long association with the borough."

Corp Phil Dennis, Weymouth Sea Cadet's Commanding Officer, said: "The cadets and staff are overjoyed with being granted this award, it highlights the excellent work carried out by the ships company during the last 75 years.

"The unit follows the teachings of the Royal Navy but is primarily a youth organisation which the parents and town folk can rightly be proud of.

"On behalf of TS Boscawen and the MSSC, I would like to thank the mayor of Weymouth and Portland Borough, the councillors and aldermen for bestowing this honour upon us."

The parade will form up for inspection on Westham Bridge at 1.30pm, marching at 2pm to Holy Trinity Church via Westham Rd, St Thomas Street and the Town Bridge.

After a freedom service and blessing at Holy Trinity Church the parade will re-form at 2.45pm to take the salute in front of Holy Trinity Church before continuing along the harbourside to disperse in Hope Square.

Police launch appeal to find stolen bike

Officers are appealing for the public's help to find a teenage boy's bicycle which was stolen from Dorchester.

Sometime between 11am and 1pm on Friday, April 28th a bright orange coloured Orbea bicycle was stolen from the bike sheds at Thomas Hardye School on Queens Avenue.

The bicycle had been secured with a heavy duty combination lock which was also taken by the offender.

Police Community Support Officer Matt Barton, of Dorchester police, said: "The bike is of great sentimental value to the victim.

"I would urge anyone who knows who was responsible for this theft or knows the whereabouts of the bike to please contact Dorset Police.

"I am also keen to hear from anyone who has seen an orange Orbea bike for sale locally in unusual circumstances.

"Officers from the local Neighbourhood Policing Team are currently arranging a time to visit the school to offer free security marking on bikes."

Anyone with information is asked to contact Dorset Police via email 101@dorset.pnn.police.uk or by calling 101, quoting occurrence number 55170062175.

Happy birthday Betty

BETTY White with her birthday cards

STAFF and residents at Care South's Buxton House care home in Weymouth, enjoyed a very special day at the home recently, when resident, Betty White, celebrated her 100th birthday.

Mrs White was very excited to receive a 100th birthday card from the Queen. Staff decorated the home with banners and balloons and played Betty's favourite music by Dame Vera Lynn.

Mrs White was joined by fellow residents, friends and family members including her beloved dog - to celebrate her fantastic milestone.

The home's chef also worked her magic on a wonderful birthday cake and a surprise crab themed buffet – Mrs White's favourite - for her and her companions to enjoy during the celebrations.

Entertainment throughout the afternoon was kindly provided by Buxton House Care Assistant, Ewa Bal, who sang to Mrs White, her friends and family, and the residents throughout the afternoon.

Mrs White was born in Portland in 1917 and lived her entire life in Dorset. Mrs White met her husband John Robert Benjamin White whilst playing tennis and had been married to him for 70 years.

Mr White worked in insurance and Mrs White accompanied him on his travels for work, all over the world.

She particularly loved visiting San Francisco, Las Vegas, The Grand Canyon, Venice and New York.

During the War, Mrs White worked in communications in Portland, monitoring planes as they crossed over Portland before reporting back to her officers.

Commenting on her fantastic birthday celebrations, Mrs White said: "I have been a resident at Buxton House since 2011 and have made many friends who celebrated with me today.

"It has been a wonderful day seeing all my friends and family, and I was over the moon to receive a card from the Queen wishing me a happy birthday.

"I would like to thank all the staff and residents at Buxton House, as well as all my loved ones, for making my big day one to remember!"

Problems facing residents of Melcombe Regis explored

PUBLIC service leaders have visited Melcombe Regis to examine how they can improve the lives of people who live and work there.

Council, police, health and education leaders visited community centres and spoke to people working in the area, including a local doctor, a police officer and the borough's new Environmental Enforcement Officer, to gain a better understanding of what can be done to tackle problems caused by inequality.

Melcombe Regis is among the top 10 per cent of the most deprived neighbourhoods in the country. The leaders are all part of the Melcombe Regis Board, which has been set-up so different agencies can work together more effectively.

Matt Prosser, Chief Executive of Weymouth & Portland Borough Council and Chairman of the Melcombe Regis Board, said: "We are working together because we are committed to improving life chances for people in Melcombe Regis.

"We visited the area to not only gain a greater understanding of the challenges faced, but to see some of the really good work that is already going on in Melcombe Regis. We were there to ask ourselves 'what can our organisation do to make life better here?' There are complex issues that affect parts of Melcombe Regis, which we can tackle more effectively by working closely together and also with the local community.

"The board has the power to make changes and having so many senior people involved means we are well placed to deliver through increased partnership working.

"Our current agencies already deliver huge amounts in Melcombe Regis, the board is in place to make sure we remove any duplication and make sure partnership working is effective as well as delivering longer-term solutions for structural issues, such as the quality of local housing stock."

The board has drafted a plan to improve quality of life in the area and will be meeting with the local community on May 17th.

Priorities include delivering a good standard of housing, creating a thriving community, improving the environment, helping people to achieve better physical and mental health, increasing employment and reducing crime.

Martyn Underhill, Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner, said: "Improving the quality of life for the residents and visitors of Melcombe Regis requires the commitment and joined up working of all the local agencies, so it was great to join partners on the walk around.

"Working with our communities is a key priority of my new Police and Crime Plan and the solutions to the challenges facing this area will only be achieved with the involvement of local people.

"The board will ensure any action taken is efficient, integrated and responsive to the needs of the community."

A part time Community Capacity Building worker, funded by the board, has already begun work linking with local community groups. The borough's new Environmental Enforcement Officers are working to clean-up the area and have the power to fine anyone caught dropping litter, allowing their dogs to foul or spraying graffiti.

All change at community centre

TWO long-serving members of the Southill Community Centre committee decided to retire at its recent AGM.

Chairman Rod Stone and secretary Betty Dickinson (pictured), after many years of service, both confirmed their desire to retire.

Rod has been chairman for more than 15 years after being asked originally to take the job on a temporary basis.

He said: "It is not an onerous job and I have enjoyed it immensely thanks to the committee members and the many user groups who all do their best to keep the centre as the focal point of our community.

"But I feel that because of failing eyesight, it is time to stand down, but I will remain as chair of the Weymouth Art Group."

Both Rod and Betty were presented with gifts by the committee and thanked for their time and efforts.

A husband and wife team, Barry and Debbi Smith were unanimously elected as chairman and secretary and Barry told the meeting that they would do their very best to make the centre, which caters for groups as diverse as bowls, brownies, art, fitness and even blood donation sessions, even more popular than it is at present.

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Fundraisers add a splash of colour to Weldmar's big weekend

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WEYMOUTH'S Lodmoor Country Park was awash with colour at the weekend.

One of the town's biggest fundraising events, The Colour Run, was on Saturday with a new event, the "Bubble Rush", on Sunday.

Between them around 2,000 people signed up to support Weldmar Hospicecare's fund-raisers.

The Colour Run attracted more than 800 to run through colour-stations over a 4km course, where they were covered in brightly coloured powder paint as they passed through.

The Bubble Rush the following day saw around 1,200 entrants running through a series of bubble stations with brightly coloured foam.

In addition to the two main event Lodmoor Country Park saw live music on both days with food and drink and fun and games for children.

Weldmar's Colour Runs have raised over £160,000 for the charity over the two years.

This coming weekend the charity's fund-raising manager, Matt Smith, together with members of his family, will be taking part in a skydive to further boost funds for Weldmar.

Matt is undertaking ten challenges this year to mark his ten years with Weldmar. He has already dived with sharks, abseiled down the Spinnaker Tower in Portsmouth and run the London Marathon.

Both events are expected to raise in the region of £95,000 for Weldmar.

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PICTURED are scenes from Saturday and Sunday's Weldmar's Colour Run and Bubblerush fundraisers

Stalls and lunches at church for Christian Aid Week

THE Mayor of Dorchester will officially open an event to be held as part of Christian Aid Week.

Mayor, Councillor Tim Harries, and mayoress, Councillor Anita Harries, will be attending a ploughman's lunch at the United Church, South Street, Dorchester.

The event will take place on Wednesday, May 17th from 9.45am to 1.30pm.

Ploughman's lunches and pudding will be served from midday.

There will also be a variety of stalls selling cakes, plants, books, jewellery and bric-a-brac.

The event forms part of Christian Aid Week celebrations, which runs from May 14th to May 20th.

Phone 01305 265013 for more information.

Medieval May-hem

THERE was battle and butter practice in Dorchester's Maumbury Rings during the bank holiday weekend.

Visitors could try their hand at both sword play and the more gentle skills of food preparation, including making butter pats.

The "Merry Medieval May Event" was held on Sunday and the Bank Holiday Monday, by the Wessex Invaders and Settlers Empire group (WISE).

Between the showers the local members offered the chance to see what the re-enactment group get up to including fight training, medieval crafts, a weapons display and campfire cooking.

Part of the objective was to try and recruit potential members in readiness for a season of visiting re-enactment events, mainly in the South and South West.

The group hold their next event on June 4th and June 5th at Templecombe Medieval Pageant.

WISE chair Stacie Levis can be contacted on 01305 459105 for further information.

Concert to support CAB mental health project

A DORCHESTER concert later in the month will help recruit and train another mental health caseworker for the local Citizens Advice service.

It will feature the Encore Singers at the United Church, on Saturday, May 20th.

The charity currently offers help for people with mental health problems through a specialist adviser two days a week but needs to expand to meet increased demand.

Songs from the shows will help raise money to expand a mental health outreach service provided by Citizens Advice Dorchester, Sherborne and Districts.

The free concert starts at 7.30pm with doors open from 7pm. Refreshments will be available and there will be a retiring collection in aid of the Mental Health Outreach Project.

Daniel Cadisch, chief officer of Citizens Advice Dorchester, Sherborne and Districts and North Dorset, said: "Our Mental Health Outreach Project has been successfully providing advice to people with mental health problems for more than five years and has helped more than 320 clients.

"It helps break down the barriers for those who need advice and support, particularly with welfare benefits, debt and housing who, because of their illness, find it difficult to access traditional Citizens Advice services.

"We employ a dedicated member of staff who generally sees clients at our Dorchester office on Mondays and in Sherborne on Wednesdays. He receives referrals from GPs and community mental teams as well as direct contact from clients. It calls for more support and more time for clients with mental health problems.

"There is no doubt that an increasing proportion of our clients experience some form of mental health so this project is a top priority for us.

"The project costs more than £16,000 a year but the benefits to our clients and the community are considerable – on average each client has a gain of £5,000 in backdated benefits and debts written off. Our caseworker helps with appeals and with issues such as housing and debt. In addition, we know that providing solutions to these problems can improve mental wellbeing."

DANIEL Cadisch with CAB team members

The Encore Singers will be performing a programme of songs from the shows and other popular melodies.

The choir formed nearly 20 years ago and meets in Dorchester. It is led by musical director Julia McFarlane and has raised many thousands of pounds for local charities.

Mr Cadisch said: "I am delighted that this excellent choir is supporting us in our aim to do more to help people with mental health problems.

"Anyone from any walk of life can suffer from mental illness and we must always be here to help when people turn to us. Citizens Advice is a charity and relies on grants and donations to give free and independent advice."

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Race for Life needs you!

PEOPLE from in and around Dorchester are being urged volunteer at the town's upcoming Cancer Research UK's Race for Life.

The countdown has begun to the 5k event at Kingston Maurward College on May 21st, and organisers are calling on people from all walks of life to sign up as helpers at raceforlife.org

There's a wide variety of roles on offer.

Brenda Scott, Cancer Research UK's Dorchester Event Manager, said: "Race for Life is a women-only series of events but men have a really important role to play. By joining our squad of dedicated volunteers, they will not only help to make our events an outstanding success, they'll also be doing their bit to beat cancer sooner.

"Volunteering at Race for Life is fun, challenging and rewarding. The atmosphere on the day is electric as people from all walks of life come together to bring forward the day when all cancers are cured."

Cancer Research UK's Race for Life, in partnership with Tesco, is a women-only series of 5k, 10k, Pretty Muddy, Marathon and Hiking events which raise millions of pounds every year to help fund ground-breaking research.

Brenda added: "By volunteering, men and women in the South West will be helping to support a hugely successful fundraising event, enabling thousands of women and their supporters to raise vital funds for Cancer Research UK's pioneering work. We've no doubt that they're up to the challenge.

"Without the dedication of the volunteers, who give their time and energy to support our cause, our events simply wouldn't be possible. Everyone is welcome so we urge men and women in Dorchester to sign up today."

To volunteer at Race for Life, visit raceforlife.org or call 0300 123 0770.

Art students get a taste of uni life

ARTS University Bournemouth (AUB) hosted an inspiring three day spring art school for students from across the Dorset region.

AUB welcomed 125 participants from 12 local schools and academies within Dorset as they completed creative briefs in acting, commercial photography, fine art, interior architecture, model making and VFX.

James Grummett, Head of Art at Wey Valley said: "We were fortunate to be one of the selected schools with 10 student places on offer.

"Students who visited the university had a strong interest in exploring the creative industries."

Mr Grummett added: "The students enrolled on the course and immediately embraced a taste of arts university life, mixing with creative and dynamic like-minded people from all over the county."

The art school workshop enabled students from all participating schools to acquire new skills, experience university life and see the courses available at higher education level, all set within state of the art facilities.

At the end of the three days the students gathered in one of the lecture theatres to present their work to all the students from the varying different courses.

Deano Pickering, Senior Projects Officer Widening Participation at Arts University Bournemouth said: "I want to formally commend and acknowledge that all the students who participated where outstanding ambassadors for their school.

WEY Valley art students with their finished work completed during Bournmouth University's three day art workshop

"They engaged proactively with the activity, worked tirelessly in teams and demonstrated confidence in risk taking as they explored creative solutions.

"It was a pleasure to work with your students and to meet with the teachers who visited throughout the programme."

Sara Adams, Principal at the Wey Valley School congratulated the student group and Art Department, saying: "It was another successful higher education workshop and a further opportunity for students to experience a university setting and broaden their academic outlook beyond their GCSE courses.

"The standard of work was fantastic and this will support our students as they look to complete their GCSE studies and move onto sixth form or college."

Nominations invited for building design award

DORCHESTER residents are being asked to nominate recent buildings in the town for a new design award.

Civic Society members will be in South Street on Saturday, May 13th to collect nominations for the Derek Beauchamp Design Award 2017.

They will be encouraging people to nominate recent buildings or projects within the county town which deserve recognition for their high standard of design.

Initially, the award scheme will cover projects completed between January 2012 and the closing date for submissions, June 30th. The results of this first round of the award scheme will be announced at the society's AGM in September. Subsequently, the society intends to invite nominations and give the award every two years.

Anyone can nominate a building or project they believe is of such a high standard of design as to merit recognition.

Nominations from members of the public are encouraged as well as from the scheme promoters, project designers and other professionals.

Eligible projects will include:

- New buildings - large or small, public or private;
- Conversions and re-builds;
- Conservation of buildings;
- Shop fronts;
- Tree planting schemes, landscaping etc;
- Artistic treatment of neglected sites.

Nominations should include the name and contact details of the nominee; the address of the building or project; a summary description of the work done; and, ideally, before and after photographs especially in the case of restoration and improvement schemes.

Nominations should be sent to: The Derek Beauchamp Design Award, Dorchester Civic Society, 46 Somerleigh Road, Dorchester DT1 1TJ.

Alternatively, nominations may be submitted by email to: dorchestercivicsociety@gmail.com

The Civic Society is also keen to encourage further debate on the recent council consultation on new housing options.

The Civic Society's response is published on its website and raises several questions, particularly relating to how many houses are specifically needed in the Dorchester area.

As previously reported in *View from Dorchester*, Civic Society members are concerned with the affect too many houses could have on the town's heritage assets, merely to meet housing targets, rather that defined needs.

The Civic Society say their stallholders will be pleased to answer questions and to hear views of members of the public.

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Runners get set for Lions fun run

THE Lions 10k run is due to take place on May 24th. And for those who are not feeling as energetic, there will also be a 2km run on the day from Dorchester Middle School.

Over the years the run has raised more than £220,000 for a variety of causes. This year is the 35th year of the event.

Half of money will go to causes nominated by individual runners with the other half to supporting Lions charities.

Former Dorchester nun, Sister Augustine, will be making her annual pilgrimage back to Dorchester from her current base at Falmouth to take part in what will be her 33rd fun run. She has raised more than £32,000 for her own favourite charities, including the Dorchester Poverty Action Group and the local hospice in Falmouth.

For more details visit www.lionsdorchester.org.uk

Young musicians raise £614 for children's charity with concert

SEVENTY young musicians from schools in the Dorchester area have given a charity concert in aid of Julia's House, Dorset's children's hospice.

The concert took place in the Corn Exchange in front of a packed audience, with the Mayor and Mayoress of Dorchester, Councillors Tim and Anita Harries, as the guests of honour.

The musicians taking part included a string orchestra, a ukulele troupe, a flute choir, singers, plus young soloists from the Dorchester Area Schools Partnership.

A total of £614.34 was raised, which was donated to Julia's House and will be used to contribute to the care and support of children and young people with life limiting illnesses, and their families.

Said Gill Slade Chair, Dorchester Friends of Julia's House: "The charity would like to extend its thanks to all those who contributed to the event and to the fantastic audience who came along for a wonderful afternoon of music."

PICTURED right are some of the children who took part in the concert

Dementia friendly walks in Hardy's landscape

ARE you or someone you know affected by dementia?

Thorncombe Wood Nature Reserve near Dorchester is offering dementia friendly guided walks in the landscape that inspired Thomas Hardy's writings during National Dementia Awareness Week (May 14th to May 20th).

The walks are an opportunity for people living with dementia and their carers to get outdoors in a safe and supportive way with rangers trained in dementia awareness.

The walks will be gentle strolls that look at the landscape using senses such as touch, sound and smells to discover more about the woodland. It will also include prose and poems from Thomas Hardy's work to connect to the heritage this nature reserve offers.

The walks will take place on May 15th and May 17th at 2pm, and the hour-long session will finish with coffee at the Hardy's Birthplace Visitors Centre.

The cost is £3 including refreshments. Spaces are limited, so please book by calling 01305 251228.

In the UK, there are about 800,000 people with dementia; it is estimated that around 400,000 people have dementia but do not know it. By raising awareness about the condition, it is hoped that more people will be diagnosed earlier, giving more time for them to come to terms with future symptoms.

There is also a creative workshop where people get a chance to extract natural pigments from plants to make beautiful prints on cloths on May 16th at 10.30am.

The process uses stones to bash the colour out in this activity and is not suitable for anyone who does not like repetitive noise. The session cost £6 and include coffee.

Claire Platten, ranger at Thorncombe Woods, said: "The dementia friendly walks hope to encourage more people living with dementia into the natural environment so they can enjoy and feel secure in the woodland setting while also improving their general health and wellbeing."

The funding comes from the successful Big Lottery Reaching Communities Fund organised by Dorset AONB and partners working on "Stepping into Nature", which is aimed at providing choice and opportunities for people living with dementia and their carers to participate in a range of nature-based activities.

Julie Hammon from the Dorset AONB team said: "These walks can help people living with dementia to develop or maintain their connection with nature and can help people to retain a sense of adventure.

"One of the aims of the AONB is to enable all people to be able to access the landscape easily."

For more information visit www.facebook.com/Hardys-Birthplace-Visitor-Centre-and-Thorncombe-Woods-LNR-638374659635288/events

BID make council TIC offer

WEYMOUTH BID has approached the borough council with an offer to open its ground floor office n St Alban Street, Weymouth, as a tourist information centre (TIC).

The office will need to be manned by volunteers and Weymouth BID has asked the council for support in this area.

Nigel Reed, Manager of Weymouth BID said: "Weymouth needs a TIC – it is something that Weymouth has needed for a long time and now that other TIC ventures appear to have fallen by the wayside.

"The BID have taken action by offering the ground floor offices to the local authority. The fascia of the office in St Alban Street will be repainted with the WE ARE WEYMOUTH branding. The success of the TIC will be down to the number of volunteers that step forward to staff the front desk."

Potential volunteers, who will be offered training, should contact the BID.

Twinning links remain strong nearly 60 years on

Trevor Bevins
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OLD photographs from the 1958 charter between Weymouth and Louviers feature on a new website set up by the twinning association.

Among them are photographs of the then Mayor of Weymouth & Melcombe Regis Iseult Legh and Louviers Mayor Pierre Mendes-France.

The black-and-white photographs have recently been rediscovered in the society's archives and show the mayor's delegation from Weymouth on their first official visit to the Normandy twin town 59 years ago.

Mr Mendes-France had been Prime Minister of France until three years before.

The following year, in April 1959, the twinning was reaffirmed at a special borough council meeting at the Alexandra Gardens in Weymouth.

In the audience was 11-year-old Michel Hooper-Immins, one of the two surviving founder members of the society, who is today still active on the committee as the public relations officer.

He has made many visits to Louviers over the years and is delighted the twinning link is not only still in place, but has strengthened in recent years.

This year the links between the two towns continue with 39 members from the French town due to arrive on Friday, June 2nd when they will be received by the new Mayor of Weymouth & Portland, Councillor Kevin Brookes. The French party will again be led by Councillor Christian Wuilque, who is the Briefholder for International Relations for Louviers Town Council, on his third visit to Weymouth.

The Louviers Twinning Committee have elected a new Chairman - Nathalie Fizet - and she will make her first visit to Weymouth. Following the civic reception on the Saturday, the English and French twinning society members will tour the Fleet Air Arm Museum at Yeovilton on the Sunday, after lunch in Sherborne.

"No matter what happens with Brexit and the European Union, it must not be allowed to interfere with the twinning with Louviers," said Councillor Richard Kosior, Mayor of Weymouth & Portland.

"It is important we all get to know each other's culture. Many people may ask why - in these times of change - should the tradition of town twinning continue. I believe it is an official relationship builder, encouraging people to meet, mix and get along. That's why town twinning - at its core - is a good and important activity."

Louviers is a market town in Normandy, 22 miles south of Rouen.

Councillor Kevin Brookes will lead the reciprocal visit to Louviers, beginning on Wednesday, August 30th.

Enquiries about joining the Louviers Society should be directed to Secretary Pam Nicklin at 01305 771773.

More information about membership is on: http://louviers.weebly.com

1958, Alderman Iseult Legh, Mayor of Weymouth & Melcombe Regis and Pierre Mendes-France, Mayor of Louviers [centre] sign the Twinning Charter at the Hotel de Ville in Louviers. Weymouth's Town Clerk Edwin Jones is on the right

Gearing up for Porsches on the Prom

HUNDREDS of Porsches will descend on Weymouth on Friday, July 14th for "Porsches on the Prom" - an annual event organised by the Porsche Club GB Dorset Region.

It is anticipated that more than 200 Porsche cars are set to attend, representing both the modern and classics eras. The vehicles will be lined up Le Mans style along Weymouth's promenade from 6pm until 10pm and is free for Porsche enthusiasts to display their pride and joy.

You are not required to pre-book for this event, just go along.

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Pic-a-book-nic at country park

THE Friends of Lodmoor Country Park are packing picnic baskets with more than sandwiches as they prepare for their second "Pic-a-book-nic" in the park on Sunday, May 14th.

They also have a basket full of books looking for new homes, in exchange for donations to the group's funds.

Said Chair Dinah Ellis: "This 'picnic with books' is a chance for people to meet and make friends whilst sharing favourite books and stories. The storytelling throne and three 'listening stools', installed by a local family to celebrate a 50th wedding anniversary, make an ideal setting, with the wildflower meadow as a colourful backdrop. We'd love to encourage more people to stop and read or listen to stories in this quiet and beautiful corner of the park."

The "Pic-a-book-nic" takes place between 12noon and 2.30pm, weather permitting.

Picnickers and readers are invited to bring their lunch, something to sit on and a book to share, swap or donate.

This is a free event but books will be on sale to raise funds for ongoing maintenance and improvements in the country park.

Charity breakfast

A BREAKFAST will be held at Charminster Parish Church, raising funds for Christian Aid.

The event will take place on Saturday, May 20th from 9am to 12noon

Donations will go to Christian Aid.

Fundraising barn dance

THE local family charity, Home Start West Dorset, is holding a family friendly barn dance in the Georgian barn at Ashton Farm, Martinstown on Saturday, May 20th.

Open from 7pm the event will be raising funds to enable the charity's volunteers to continue supporting local families in need in West Dorset.

The Bride Valley Dance Band will be playing lots of lively dancing tunes through the evening, with a break for a ploughman's supper, which is included in the ticket price of £15 for adults, £7.50 for under 18s.

These are available from the Home-Start West Dorset office by calling Dorchester(01305 265072). A cash bar serving a selection of refreshments will also be available.

All the money raised will go towards helping support local families in West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland who are going through difficult times.

If you would like more information about Home Start West Dorset or would like to volunteer, please contact the office on 01305 265072, or visit www.homestartwestdorset.co.uk.

If you have a story email trevorbevins@gmail.co.uk

Dorset studios are Open For Art

MORE than 80 artists and 40 venues will feature in the "Open For Art" open studio event for Dorchester and South Dorset.

The new event has been organised voluntarily by members of the not for profit arts organisation Artwey and has been financially supported by Weymouth BID.

It is an exciting new venture showcasing the wealth of artistic talent found in Dorchester, Weymouth and Portland.

Permanent studios and gallery spaces will be open from May 20th with special events in offices, cafes and historic buildings. A number of artists have also opened up their homes, many of whom can be contacted all year round for personal viewings.

Artwey are a Community Interest Company (CIC) formed in 2008 to raise the profile of the diversity and range of visual arts produced in Weymouth and Portland and run entirely by volunteers on a non-profit basis.

They have 60 members who work in a variety of media, have the opportunity of promoting their work through the Artwey website, exhibitions, workshops, DAW and Open Studios, in addition to enjoying social activities.

After several years of successful Artwey events, the time seemed right to expand their biennial Open Studios by taking in Dorchester and Poundbury and open the event to non-members.

Carol Cruickshank and Olivia Nurrish, Artwey's two directors, have taken up the challenge and with their team have trebled the size of the trail which has been rebranded Open For Art 2017.

OLIVIA Nurrish and Carol Cruickshank – Directors of Artwey

Said Carol Cruickshank Artwey Chair: "Artwey have been delighted to receive support from the Weymouth BID team in terms of funding, marketing expertise and networking which has helped our event Open For Art to expand threefold whilst still making it accessible and affordable to artists, business advertisers and sponsors.

"We hope this is the beginning of a great working relationship with Weymouth BID that will result in growing Open For Art into an established, respected and successful biannual event raising the cultural profile in our area and encouraging visitors to enjoy all that our towns have to offer.

"We would like to thank Weymouth BID for providing both funding and marketing support to enable the Open For Art event to reach a wider audience, also thanks to Domvs who have also helped us with signage."

Nigel Reed, Manager of Weymouth Bid said: "We are pleased to be supporting this promotion of local Artists through the Open for Art Event.

"We have helped ArtWey with their own marketing and through the 'We are Weymouth' website and social media platforms we can reach a wider audience.

Find out more about Artwey Open for Art at www.artwey.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/OPA-final-LR.pdf

Prince's Trust programme comes to an end at college

THE latest group to finish the 12-week Prince's Trust programme at Weymouth College have been celebrating their success with tutors, family and friends.

Weymouth College Principal Nigel Evans attended the celebration and presented each of the Prince's Trust Team students with their certificates and teamwork awards.

Said Trevor Allison, Prince's Trust Leader: "Every graduation is special but it became apparent as this evening progressed, just how many unique achievements, both individually and collectively, we have been lucky enough to witness during the last 12 weeks. The staff team could not be more proud."

The students presenting and sharing their experiences were: Dan Cox, Holly Culley, Callum Horsborough, Keanu Wyatt, Connor Lee, Thomas Hircock, and Jordan Sugden. (Chanelle Edmondson also successfully completed the course but was unable to attend the celebration.)

STUDENTS who completed the Prince's Trust Programme at Weymouth College

Get fit with health walks

DORSET Wildlife Trust is running a series of Monday "health walks" at its Lorton Meadows Nature Reserve, Weymouth..

The walks take place on Monday's at 10am and will continue every Monday (except bank holiday's) until October.

The walks, which are led by DWT's Community Conservation Officer, Sam Dallimore, are 45 minutes long and designed to help local people improve their physical health and mental well-being.

Said Sam: "There is lots of evidence to support the theory that being outside increases people's sense of well-being, and walking is a good exercise for people who want to be more active but aren't sure where to start.

"The health walks are great for people who are perhaps not so confident walking around a nature reserve on their own and it's also a good opportunity to meet other people.

"This is a gentle stroll so you don't need to be physically fit and you can borrow wellies and waterproofs for the walk. There will also be free tea/coffee for all participants in the Lorton Meadows Conservation Centre afterwards."

The health walks are part of partnership programme, Natural Choices, which aims to encourage and enable people in Dorset to improve their physical and mental well-being in a friendly and supportive setting by taking part in activities such as wildlife gardening, nature walks and practical conservation activities.

There is no need to book, just meet at 10am at the Lorton Meadows Conservation Centre, Upwey, Weymouth. The walks are £3 per person. There is a free car park and toilets in the centre.

WILDFLOWER meadow at Lorton photo by Patrick Jefferies

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The tradition method of squatting or bending down and scraping a planting hole with a trowel falls, for many people, into the category of 'no pain, no gain'. An afternoon of trowel use hurts your wrist and elbows; squatting kills your knees and bending does your back in... but there is a way to fill your borders with flowers and your beds with vegetables without it costing you several visits to a chiropractor.

If you have resisted the temptation to fill every square inch of soil with seedlings the moment Easter has passed, then not only are you going to avoid frosts but your plants are much less likely to get checked by an inclement May – instead of planting out young, tender plants into the soil, pot them on into three-inch pots and harden them off for a couple of weeks.

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Another tip is to make sure you keep an edge on the bulb planter – it's a cutting tool and will go into soil with far less effort if it's sharp and consider dividing up your planting into twenty-minute sessions: there are plenty of other jobs to be getting on with in between planting out and frequent changes of activity help to avoid physical stress and strain.

It won't work for absolutely every single plant, but it can be used for everything from runner beans and sweet corn to flowering annuals and box cuttings – and afterwards, you'll be smiling rather than grimacing!

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2017 has also started with a bang. They now have 2 dedicated teams, headed up by Roger Cummings and Steve Bowditch so they can run two jobs simultaneously as well as a team in the workshop. They are currently working on Dorshi's new cocktail bar and they have just finished the Hive Beach Co.'s new cafe at West Bexington as well as fitted furniture for Symondsbury Estate, and lots of private gardens.

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WHAT TO DO THIS WEEK

by Hannah Stephenson, Press Association

- Finish off planting up summer containers, but if you include tender plants, make sure you shelter them or cover them with horticultural fleece overnight if frost is forecast.
- Shade greenhouses with shade netting to stop them becoming overheated and keep the windows and doors open during the daytime.
- Propagate marginal plants from cuttings including brooklime (Veronica beccabunga) and water mint (Mentha aquatic). Insert cuttings in pots of mud and place in a bowl filled with water so that it just covers the surface of the pots. The cuttings should root quickly.
- Continue sowing beetroot to provide crops throughout the summer.
- Fill in gaps between border perennials by sowing the seeds of hardy annuals straight into their flowering positions. Summer-flowering bulbs and foliage plants in pots will also add interest.
- As tulips fade, snap off the dead heads before they have a chance to make seed. This will help the bulbs concentrate their energy on producing next year's blooms.
- Cut back ceanothus and other spring-flowering shrubs including forsythia.
- Give topiary, such as box balls, a quick trim after a surge in spring growth may have left them out of shape.
- Watch out for lily beetle and pick them off before they damage your lilies.

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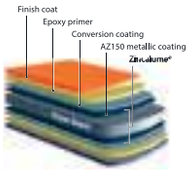

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Tennis open day

DORCHESTER Tennis and Squash Club is holding an open day from 10am to 2pm this Sunday, May 14th.

Visitors will be able to try their hand at tennis, squash and racketball with club coaches on hand to offer advice. Rackets will be provided.

Visitors can also try out free cardio fitness sessions, mini competitions, sample a BBQ and other refreshments.

A membership deal will be available - two months free for those signing up on the day.

The club is on Sawmills Lane, off Weymouth Avenue (DT1 2RZ).

History talk

DORCHESTER historian and author Brian Bates will be the guest speaker at Charlton Down History Group next week.

He will be talking in the village hall in Sherren Avenue, Charlton Down on Wednesday, May 17th at 7:30pm.

He will be talking about "Dorchester Military Hospital" and the experiences of WWI nurse, Annie Keates.

The meeting is open to all and costs £3.

Spring litter pick

VOLUNTEERS are wanted for a Rodwell Trail Spring Clean litter pick this Saturday, May 13th from 9.30-11.30am.

The Friends of the Rodwell Trail will meet at the Sandsfoot Castle Café where bags and pick-up sticks will be provided by the borough council.

Sailing club throws open its doors

Trevor Bevins
Reporter | trevorbevins@gmail.com

IT was a fair wind for visitors to the Castle Cove Sailing Club open day on Saturday.

Around a hundred visitors came along to see what sailing is all about and to tour the club's facilities.

Both dinghies and keel boats were available for visitors to look over – with many taking up the chance to have a sail.

The club, on the shores of Portland Harbour, is unusual in being member-owned and member-run.

Commodore Steve Green was on hand to point out to potential members that the effect of that is that costs can be kept down, compared to other clubs.

Members have to undertake a couple of "duties" each season, whether that be behind the bar, helping prepare meals, or assisting with running races.

"It means we have a real community feel to the club and people are keen to help out and take part in our wide range of activities," said Steve.

The club is also keen to bust the myth that sailing is an expensive sport – and for those who do not want to buy a boat there are club dinghies to hire and many opportunities to crew with keelboat owners.

During the season, which usually starts around Easter, the club holds keelboat and dinghy races on two nights in the week and also on Sundays.

There are also sessions for junior sailors, talks and practical sessions.

ABOVE: This family were keen to look over a Topper – typically used by junior sailors; and left: Sizing up a Laser dinghy – one of the most popular classes at the club

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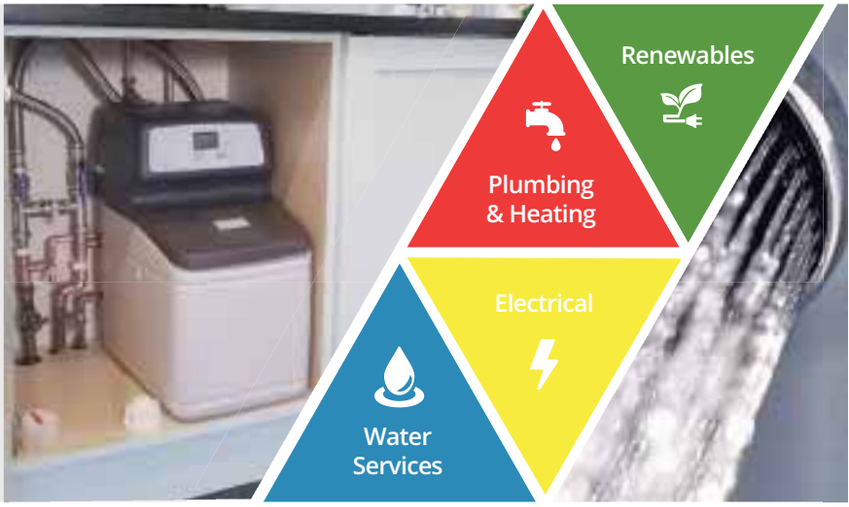

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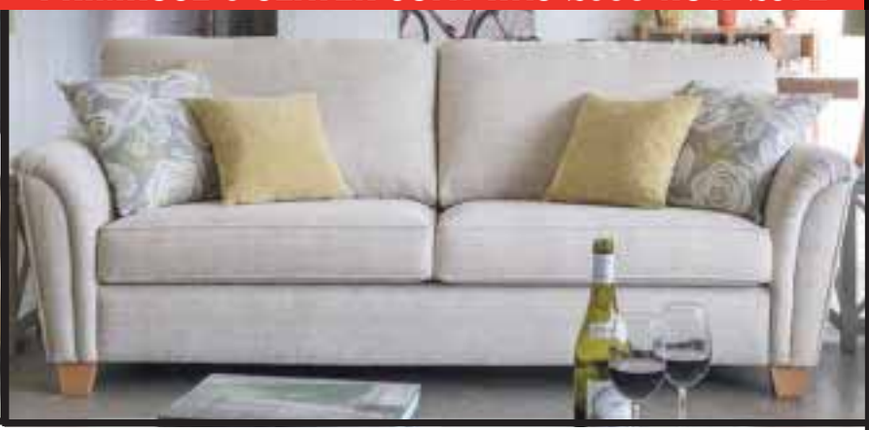

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News from around Dorset

A week of discounted treats for Dorset residents

RESIDENTS across Dorset can enjoy discount deals at many of the county's top attractions during the 12th annual Dorset Residents' Week from May 8th to 14th, using the special offer vouchers featured in the spring edition of Dorset County Council's community newspaper 'Your Dorset'.

The vouchers can be used during Dorset Residents' Week at more than 50 leading leisure and entertainment venues in and around the county from historic homes and museums to country parks and fitness facilities.

The attractions this year include the Nothe Fort, Tutankhamun Exhibition, Bennetts Water Gardens, Sherborne Castle, Portland Castle, Langham Wine Estate and more.

A full list of all the attractions taking part and the promotions on offer is included alongside the vouchers in the centre four pages of 'Your Dorset' which were delivered through residents' doors from Monday, April 3rd.

All of the special offers covered by the vouchers will be valid during Residents' Week only and are subject to availability.

Dorset Residents' Week has been organised by the Visit Dorset Tourism Partnership, and the initiative aims to showcase the many great family attractions available on our doorstep.

Nick Thornley, on behalf of the Visit Dorset Tourism Partnership, said: "Residents' Week provides an unmissable opportunity for local residents to visit some of Dorset's top visitor attractions for less.

"We are extremely fortunate to live in such a wonderful area and I encourage residents to come out and enjoy the best of what Dorset has to offer and to tell friends and family when they visit later in the year.

"I would like to thank all the attractions that are involved with Dorset Residents' Week this year for making it such a successful event."

If you missed or have misplaced your copy of 'Your Dorset', you can download the Residents' Week supplement from www.visit-dorset.com which gives details on all participating attractions and their offers plus extra vouchers if needed.

TIM Batty from the Dinosaur Museum promoting the week with Jessica Matthews from Visit Dorset

For more information about Dorset Residents' Week, along with detailed information about accommodation, events, activities, heritage and culture around the county visit visit-dorset.com

Local children in urgent need of foster care

AROUND 500 children in Dorset are in need of foster homes, with around 40 requiring immediate placement. To encourage more people to consider fostering, Dorset County Council has organised four fostering open days across the county on Saturday, May 13th and 20th.

Vanessa Glenn, the county council's assistant director for care and protection, said:

"We desperately need people in Dorset to look after children of all ages and needs. Fostering could provide these vulnerable children with a 'normal' home life, either for a short period or through to adulthood.

"Many people don't realise you can be a foster carer whatever your age, so long as you're over 21, and whether you're single or living with a partner, employed or not.

"If you think you could make a difference to a child's life, pop along to one of our open days – the team can answer your questions and help you explore possibilities about fostering."

The open days are part of Foster Care Fortnight (May 8th-21st), a national foster carer recruitment campaign. Across the UK, a child comes into care every 20 minutes and it's anticipated that more than 9,000 new foster families will be needed in the next 12 months.

The open days are on a drop-in basis on the following dates:

Saturday, May 13th

- Bridport Leisure Centre, 10am to 4pm
- Christchurch Library, 10am to 4pm
- The Exchange, Sturminster Newton, 10am to 4pm

Saturday, May 20th

- Dorford Centre, Dorchester, 10.30am to 4pm

Anyone wanting more information about fostering should call 01305 225568 or visit www.dorsetforyou.com/fostering

Walk 1:
Woolacombe to Morte Point (circular - six miles)

WELCOME to Herbie & Hilda's journey around the South West Coast Path. The route, regularly referred to as one of the most beautiful yet diverse in the world, stretches for 630-miles from Minehead to Poole.

As we are both still working we are unable to complete the path in one strenuous six-week walk as others have done.

Instead, we plan to jump around the route in random places taking in smaller - bite sized - walks that would appeal to most. We have already completed approximately 15 per cent of the 630 miles prior to this first instalment, but will recap on these at a later date.

You can follow our trek which will include notable landmarks or points of interest, in the form of this column that will pop-up at regular intervals as and when we cross off another stretch.

To start with we headed off for a week in Woolacombe in north Devon and the rugged Atlantic Coast.

Walk One - Woolacombe to Morte Point (and back): total 4 miles.

Most jaunts on the north Devon coast, particularly in March, will be bracing with a fresh wind off the Atlantic Ocean, this one had plenty of this, but with warm sunshine too.

We headed east from out our base in Woolacombe and were immediately met by a WWII monument to the American Marines who carried out crucial exercises in 1943 in the lead up to D-Day on beaches that closely replicated those huge expanses of sand accompanied by steep dunes on the Normandy Coast, in particular 'Omaha' beach.

But this walk has little sand to see and is in fact dominated by the dramatic Morte slate with its rugged rocky quality and imposing shadows, the nearby village of Morthoe has a section dedicated to the numerous shipwrecks, five in 1852 alone, that litter this area.

The spring is a great time to also appreciate the plentiful, hardwearing gorse bushes with their vivid yellow which perfectly compliment the clear blue skies and lush green vales - but do beware the cliff edges as the unforgiving rocks below await - Morte Point translates to death point!.

The walk took us about two hours in total - including the obligatory coffee and banana stop - and is perfect for a half day jaunt, providing the sun shines.

For further details on the Path visit www.southwestcoastpath.org.uk - it's a great hobby, for all ages, taking you to places you might never have been to and upon sights you would never have seen.

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About National Smile Month

IN a nutshell, National Smile Month is the UK's largest and longest-running campaign to promote good oral health.

Together, with thousands of individuals and organisations, National Smile Month highlights three key messages, all of which go a long way in helping us develop and maintain a healthy mouth. They are:

- Brush your teeth last thing at night and on at least one other occasion with a fluoride toothpaste.
- Cut down on how often you have sugary foods and drinks.
- Visit your dentist regularly, as often as they recommend.

The aim of National Smile Month is to ultimately improve the UK's oral health. Organised by oral health charity, the Oral Health Foundation, the campaign hopes to raise awareness of important health issues, and make a positive difference to the oral health of millions.

With the help and enthusiasm of those who are passionate about health and well-being, National Smile Month 2017 hopes to see thousands of events and activities up and down the UK educate and engage local communities about the importance of a healthy mouth.

In 2017, the campaign will take place between **15 May and 15 June**, and will encourage all dental and health professionals, schools, pharmacies, community groups, colleges and workplaces – in fact anyone with an interest in good oral healthcare, to join in and help us educate, motivate and communicate positive oral health messages and improves the quality of smiles all around the UK.

But National Smile Month isn't just about education and stressing the importance of a healthy mouth – the key to the success of the campaign is that we have lots fun doing it!

So what next?....

Get Smiling: Head over to our Events Hub (on our website) and discover how you, your practice, hospital, school or workplace can take part in our wonderful campaign. We have loads of great ideas to help you promote oral health, along with all the resources for you to make it as successful as possible!

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Prices are extremely competitive even for those with a limited budget. Terry also offers a den- ture repair service, while customers wait.

"As I work from home, I do offer service at weekends, if I am around."

Based near Ashcot in Somerset, Terry can do home visits within a 25 mile radius of his home. For more information call 01458 210039 or cut out and keep this advertisement for future reference.

Tips for a Healthy Mouth

GOOD oral health can have so many wonderful life-changing benefits. From greater self-confidence to better luck in careers and relationships, a healthy smile can truly transform your visual appearance, the positivity of your mind-set, as well as improving the health of not only your mouth but your body too.

As part of National Smile Month, we have put together some top tips covering all areas of your oral health, to help keep you smiling throughout the campaign.

Caring for your mouth

- Brush your teeth last thing at night and at least one other time during the day with a fluoride toothpaste.
- Clean in between your teeth at least once a day using interdental brushes or floss.
- To check if you have bad breath lick your wrist, let it dry and give it a sniff, if it smells your breath probably does too.
- If you use mouthwash don't use it directly after brushing as you rinse away the fluoride from your toothpaste.
- Quit smoking to help reduce the chances of tooth staining, gum disease, tooth loss, and in more severe cases mouth cancer.
- Make sure your toothpaste contains fluoride; it helps strengthen tooth enamel making it more resistant to decay.
- Change your toothbrush every two to three months or sooner if it becomes worn as it will not clean the teeth properly.

Visiting your dentist

- Visit your dentist regularly, as often as they recommend.
- Some dentists may offer home visits for people who are housebound or have difficulty visiting the surgery.
- If you are nervous about visiting the dentist, make sure they are aware of why so they can improve your treatment.
- Help to overcome dental anxiety by taking a friend with you for support or listen to music to help you relax and focus on something else.
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Making room for the serpent at Story Café

MYTHOLOGIST, author and shamanic teacher, Martin Shaw returns to Bridport Story Café on Friday, May 19th with the tale of The Lindwurm: 'Making Room for the Serpent – myth and the nourishing dark'. It is a rare opportunity to hear this master storyteller in the intimate setting of Bridport Arts Centre café.

Those who have heard Martin before will not need to be reminded of his powerful use of language, his imaginative and reflective telling of the old stories. As with all the best tellers, he has truly 'walked the stories' and became a storyteller whilst living for four years in a black tent on the wilder fringes of England. Over the past years his reputation has grown as he travels and teaches internationally. He is the founder of the West Country School of Myth on Dartmoor and now regularly teaches at Schumacher College and in the USA.

"There is fox fur and woodsmoke in his thinking and a wild mix of courage, stories and troubling ideas – a kind of outlaw language". (Robert Bly)

The storytelling begins at 7.30pm. The evening is suitable for adults and older children. Tickets are £8 (£5 concessions) available from Bridport Arts Centre box office 01308 424204 or visit www.bridport-arts.com

Upcoming evening events at Seaton Tramway!

SEATON TRAMWAY has a fantastic line up of special events this year, including the return of our superb "Allo Allo" Evening on the 27th May, as well as the ever popular "Dad's Army" Evening on the 24th June.

Searching for something with a certain 'je ne sais quoi'? Why not join us as Café René returns by popular demand for the third edition of "Allo Allo" for an evening of unforgettable entertainment! How will the plot unfold with the French café owner, the Gestapo & the Resistance? The tram departs Seaton at 7pm and returns from Colyton Station at 10pm, with a delicious two course meal to be served at 8pm. Guests can either purchase tickets for a tram ride, entertainment and food, or simply opt in to join us for dinner and entertainment at Colyton Station.

Prefer to remain on home soil? Join Captain Mainwaring and the British Home Guard in 'Walmington-on-Sea' for an evening of comedy and calamities. The tram departs Seaton at 7pm and returns from Colyton Station at 10pm, with a delicious two course meal to be served at 8pm. Guests can either purchase tickets for a tram ride, entertainment and food, or simply opt in to join us for dinner and entertainment at Colyton Station.

Tram, Entertainment and Food tickets are £27.50 per adult, £17 per child 3-15, and children under 3 are £5. Entertainment and Food tickets are £20 per adult, £12 per child 3-15, and children under 3 are £5. Please book in advance to avoid disappointment.

BOOK NOW either online at www.tram.co.uk or by phoning 01297 20375.

Farmer's Question Time - What do you want to ask?

THIS MONTH sees some fantastic events at Bridport Arts Centre as part of their exhibition in the main Allsop Gallery - '*Cape Farewell*'. Within the show are three projects from artists who have worked closely with farmers to highlight key issues that relate to food, farming & the environment. Artist Nessie Reid who now lives in West Wales, lived with two pure-bred Guernsey cows for 5 days in the heart of Bristol in her project 'The Miking Parlour' to raise awareness to the cost of milk. She is hosting a very special Farmers Question Time event this week - Thursday, May 11th, 7pm, tickets £5 from Bridport Arts Centre. The exhibition will be open from 6pm for those who want to have a look before the panel discussion, the event will last approx an hour and there will be a chance to ask questions.

Alongside this Bridport Arts Centre is showing the film *Comrades* by Bill Douglas,on Sunday, May 14th at 7.30pm, Tickets £3-£6. *Comrades* is all about the story of the Tolpuddle Martrys and a Special Talk and Communal Meal is taking place on Thursday, May 25th, 6pm, £5 with artists Anne-Marie Culhane and Ruth Levene. The artists will talk about their project 'A Field of Wheat' in which a Lincolnshire community of people collectively bought and looked after a Field of Wheat, this will be followed by a communal meal with bread made from the cultivated wheat in the Cafe Space.

Cape Farewell runs at Bridport Arts Centre until Saturday, June 3rd. Open Tuesday - Saturday:10am-4pm. For information on the events and exhibition, and to book tickets go to www.bridport-arts.com or Call 01308 424204. Box Office is Open Tuesday - Friday 10am-3pm, and Saturday 10am-4pm

Far From the Madding Crowd

Thomas Hardy's classic romance returns to his home town with a superb production

FOLLOWING on from their 2015 visit with an outstanding production of Jane Austin's Emma, Hotbuckle Productions bring Thomas Hardy's romance, *Far From The Madding Crowd* to his home town with live music and their trademark ensemble style on the Saturday, May 13th and Sunday, May 14th.

"I shall do one thing in this life – one thing certain – that is, love you, and long for you, and keep wanting you till I die."

As three very different suitors compete for her heart, spirited, independent Bathsheba Everdene must choose between them. Will she choose to marry for passion, for obligation or for true love and companionship? Or will she value her independence and not marry at all?

Tickets are £12 full price or £10 for Members of Dorchester Arts, under-18s or those on low income, and are available from the Dorchester Arts box office on 01305 266926, in person at the Corn Exchange (weekdays 10am - 4pm) or via www.dorchesterarts.org.uk

Open Exhibition

DORCHESTER ARTS is calling on all Wessex artists to submit their work to be considered for their seventh Open Exhibition, which will take place in July 2017. The deadline for entries is Friday, May 26th.

This biennial art exhibition has grown consistently over the years and the 2015 Open attracted entries from more than 90 artists. The judges are as open to work from amateur artists as well-known names, making the show a wonderful opportunity for local people and visitors alike to discover the wealth of artistic talent the region has to offer.

Dorchester Arts Artistic Director, Mark Tattersall, commented "The range of work submitted for this exhibition is always extraordinary: as well as paintings, prints, drawings and photos we always see artists using materials such as textiles and paper in the most imaginative ways. We are also delighted that this year submissions can include 3-dimensional work such as sculpture and ceramics, as the exhibition has moved from the now disused Dorchester Arts Centre to the more flexible space at Duke's Gallery, near Brewery Square"

As before the Open is linked to Evolver Magazine and Dorset Art Weeks. There are three prizes: free entry for a solo exhibition in Dorset Art Weeks 2018, a feature in Evolver, and £250 cash.

Full details and entry forms can be obtained from the Dorchester Arts website, or by emailing enquiries@dorchesterarts.org.uk or calling 01305 266926.

The selection panel consists of Mark Tattersall (Artistic Director, Dorchester Arts), Simon Barber (Editor, Evolver Magazine), Suzy Rushbrook (Programme Curator/Membership Manager, Dorset Visual Arts), Deborah Westmancoat (winner of Exhibition Prize, DA Open 2015) and Sarah Wild (Partner, Duke's Auctioneers).

Childhood holiday journeyed to Lyme Regis – Via 30 countries!

The Zoots bring their smash-hit 'Sounds of the 60s' show to a very special local audience

AWARD-WINNING musicians 'The ZOOTS' have sold over half a million albums, wowed audiences of stage and screen in more than 30 countries, and played iconic venues like Old Trafford and The London Palladium. The Zoots' music has appeared on TV ads, and made lead singer Jamie Goddard a gold-selling songwriter. Yet according to the band, their greatest challenge comes on May 19th in Lyme Regis — because that's when The Zoots debut at The Marine Theatre!

With his clean-cut good looks and friendly manner, you might be forgiven for thinking that dishy lead singer Jamie Goddard would be unfazed by being in the spotlight. After all, Jamie divides his time between working as a male fashion model, and being the front man for a family-friendly, Sixties-themed band that 'The Stage' calls "impossible not to like". But Jamie is nervous about playing The Zoots' hit show at the place he spent lots of holidays, he toured The Zoots round an incredible 30 countries before finally summoning the courage to organise a show at The Marine Theatre in Lyme Regis.

■ The Zoots

As Jamie puts it: "The ZOOTS have played in front of audiences on four continents, from Israel to Italy, Havana to Venice, Barcelona to Montego Bay — but there's something especially nerve-wracking about playing to a British crowd!" Harriet Lowther is The Zoots' backing singer and lead percussionist. (And, naturally enough, a fashion model to boot.) She explains: "It will be very special for us to play at The Marine Theatre, with lots of holiday memories!"

It's been a great twelve months for The Zoots. The band headlined at The Goodwood Festival, and were featured in the book 'Guardians of Rock and Roll' by world-famous photographer Michael Randolph, who was the official photographer to The Rolling Stones.

Tickets for The Zoots' *Sounds of the 60s* on Friday, May 19th are available for just £15, £13 concessions from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre or call the box office on 01297 442138.

Sparkle and Dark bring superheroes and villains for a theatrical exploration of grief

WHAT HAPPENS when the wildest parts of our imagination take control? After the death of her mother, Ellie escapes into her own fantasy world of comic book superheroes and be-witching strangers, recreating herself as the ultimate vigilante. Running a-midst dark alley ways and sinister villains, she soon meets the wild and mysterious Beast and together they seek revenge. But as the walls of her new world begin to crumble, Ellie must finally face the truth behind her fantasies.

Sparkle and Dark use innovative Bunraku puppetry and UV lighting to create an immersive world on stage. They continue to push boundaries of puppetry, developing a large scale, mechanised puppet cast in fibreglass that gives striking dynamism to the piece. The won- derful imagination of youth is captured through a stage that shifts between the real-life bedroom of a young girl, to a fantastical comic book world, making use of UV effects to transform the set in an instant. An original contemporary electronic score is performed live on stage by Lawrence Illsley using synth, drum machines and electric guitar.

Lisa Wilcock of Bridport Arts Centre said "Sparkle and Dark are bringing us a thought-provoking and heart wrenching tale about grief and how we deal with loss. I'd recommend it for teenagers as well as older audiences"

I Am Beast comes to Bridport Arts Centre on Saturday, May 20th at 8pm. Tickets are £12/£10, available from www.bridportarts.com 01308 424204

The show also comes to Dorchester Corn Exchange on Wednesday, May 24th at 8pm. Tickets are £12, £10 and £5, available from the box office on 01305 266926 or visit the website at www.dorchesterarts.org.uk

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Your guide to local live music

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Live Gigs

Saturday 13 May
Spice Centre, Dorchester
Bernardo plays continental guitar 8pm. Free entry
Crown Inn, Bridport
V8 Hearts 9.30pm.
Nag's Head, Lyme Regis
The Godbrothers

Sunday 14 May
Crown Inn, Bridport
Avid Bowie 4-6pm.
Corn Exchange, Dorchester
Kokoro 2.30pm. £14/£12

Saturday 20 May
Spice Centre, Dorchester
Bernardo plays continental guitar 8pm. Free entry
Crown Inn, Bridport
Andy Grant Trio 9.30pm.
Nag's Head, Lyme Regis
Perfect Strangers

Saturday 27 May
White Lion, Broadwindsor
John De Barra 9pm

TOP 10

Top Ten Artist Sales of Preloved Vinyl for week ending Saturday, May 6th compiled by Clocktower Music Bridport

1. Otis Redding
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4. Ella Fitzgerald
5. The Who
6. Depeche Mode
7. Jimi Hendrix
8. Glen Miller
9. Adam Ant
10. Madness

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Count Basie swings into Lyme Regis

■ Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band

THE LEGENDARY Count Basie descends on Lyme Bay in the form of Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band giving Basie's music a modern twist in their exciting, energetic and entertaining new show for Lyme Jazz Festival.

With vocalist Claire Wabbs, the band promise to add new zest to old favourites as well as originals never performed before. As the name suggests, the All Stars promise to swing with a capital S - bringing treats galore to both Basie and big band fans.

The All Stars Big Band is part of the Swing Unlimited stable based in Bournemouth and were founded in 2001 with the aim of popularising Count Basie's music. In this new show, The Count Basie Project, they include new arrangements and vocals to include well known favourites like 'April in Paris' and 'One O'clock Jump', as well new material audiences have never heard before.

■ The legendary Count Basie

Count Basie invented the swing sound that would change jazz in the 1930s and 40s and became the pre-eminent bandleader of the Big Band era. His band became synonymous with swing and his pioneering sound can still be heard in jazz orchestras all over the world. He summed up his approach: "I think the band can really swing when it swings easy, when it can just play along like you are cutting butter."

Swing Unlimited All Stars Big Band, Sunday, May 28th, Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis, 4.30pm. Tickets: £12. Online: www.lymeregisjazzfestival.co.uk or Box Office: 01297 441238.

Play it again Lyme!

THE NEXT bank holiday is just around the corner, and B Sharp are gearing up for a feast of music in Lyme Regis as musicians and street artists bring the streets alive beside the seaside. The B Sharp Busking Festival will be in full swing from 11am onwards on Saturday, May 27th, and has teamed up again with the Jazz & Blues Festival to be a part of what promises to be a long weekend packed with a variety of musical treats for everyone who enjoys playing or listening to music.

B Sharp's annual Busking Festival is an opportunity for musicians to come and play in the most stunning and unusual locations.

'Its time to come and make some noise together!' says Festival Organiser Diane Earle , 'Every year our festival brings fantastic surprises, buskers new and buskers old come from far and wide to play with us, Pirates to a 90 year old pianist, sax quintets, choirs to 5 year old singer. There's something for everyone'

Every year B Sharp make sure to offer something new, fun and enterprising for everyone to enjoy throughout the day. This year B Sharp are offering a master class jam special with the popular and charismatic local dance band Mr Jèan with a small performance and gathering at the end. Booking is strongly advised.

This popular annual festival welcomes musicians, street artists and audiences of all ages and experience, to bring the streets alive with the sound of music.

Fran Williams, Creative Director at B Sharp continues, 'With your support B Sharp can help more young people to take part in life changing musical experiences towards building a sound future. Look out for the B Sharp buckets by each of the buskers, and if you like what you hear, please do donate !'

The line up for the day includes:

- Busking – all around Lyme – 11am – 6pm
- 'Play Me' Piano and Open Mic – Marine Parade Jubilee Pavilion– 11am – 6pm
- Fun music workshop for early years and their families 11 -11.45 am
- 'Play Me' Drums – Gun Cliff (by the canon, town end of the Marine Parade) 2 – 4pm
- Jam - master-class with Mr Jéan – Pilot Boat Function Room – 6pm – 9pm for 16 years + adult players welcome (for more confident players) £5 per young person £10 adults. Concession available. Booking advisable.

Marcus Dixon, new Managing Director at B Sharp says: "Our Busking Festival is a real live experience for young people, enabling them to gain a broad spectrum of skills, confidence and experience while showcasing their creativity in music making and performance. It's this creativity and confidence that's profoundly important in shaping the future for young people, as students, employees, digital artisans and entrepreneurs in a world that's being rapidly transformed by exponential innovation and digital technology. We hope to see you there!"

Are you a musician and want to join in? If you would like to take part in any or all of the busking opportunities contact buskingfestival@bsharp.org.uk. Booking is advised to secure your preferred time and place. You can turn up on the day and sign in at the Welcome Desk on the seafront by the 'Play Me' Piano in the Jubilee Pavilion, Marine Parade Shelters.

If you would like to help develop B sharp and make a real difference for local young people please contact Marcus Dixon at marcusdixon@bsharp.org.uk

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Saturday 20th May, 9.30pm
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Folk n Roll with the Phil Beer Band

THE PHIL Beer Band performs a unique blend of folk and roll trawled from Phil's treasure trove of traditional tunes and American country rock.

The highly popular line up comprises Gareth Turner, Steve Crickett, Greg McDonald, Olivia Dunn and of course, Phil Beer and promises to deliver a lively cocktail of folk, rock, country and blues.

The Phil Beer Band evolved organically in the early to mid 90s at Maisemore in Gloucestershire. It was a loose federation consisting of Phil Beer (Show of Hands) Nick Quarmby and Steve Crickett, all of whom lived close to each other, and melodeon player Gareth Turner from Northamptonshire. There was a need in the community for a band to play local events and ceilidhs and, following in the tradition set by the Albion Band (of which both Gareth and Phil were former members) the band always interspersed the dances with the odd song.

Basically, over a long period of time, it has evolved into a 'Folk n Roll' band with country rock overtones. It is the vehicle for Phil to return to the electric guitar and to have a good time with his mates. The band has seen many members and many tours but has been fairly inactive in the last five years. That's about to change. The Band's first full tour for a long time takes place next May with a new studio album in place. They look forward to seeing you then.

Support comes from The Hawthornes who, since forming in March 2013, have already chalked up an impressive resume. Relentlessly playing all over the country for anyone who will listen, they have already obtained a strong, loyal following thanks in part to landing top support slots with acts such as Terry & Gerry, 3 Daft Monkeys and Gerry Colvin (of ColvinQuarmby).

During this time they have also managed to release their debut album 'Stoneville Street' to critical acclaim and play top grass roots festivals such as New Forest Folk Festival, Lakefest and Y Not! Festival.

The Phil Beer Band play at Dorchester Corn Exchange on Thursday, May 25th. Doors open 7.30pm, music from 8pm. Tickets are £20, for £18 members and concessions.

■ The Phil Beer Band

Celebrate the summer with Artsreach!

THIS SUMMER, Artsreach continues to bring professional performances to rural venues right across Dorset, with the launch of its brand new and exciting programme, supported once more by local legal firm Blanchards Bailey. There's a whole variety of things on offer, with ten brilliant productions visiting eighteen venues across the County; everything from Spanish circus and comedy theatre to American stringband music and pop up opera!

Acclaimed seven-piece gypsy folk-rock band Holy Moly & The Crackers make a welcome return to Dorset with two special gigs for Artsreach as part of their national tour. In the perfect collision of rowdy tunes, pumping danceability and compelling storytelling, this wrangling folk group present a medley of original songs and old time drinking tunes, both hilarious and thrilling, and sure to entertain!

With eight albums and over a decade of touring under their belts, The Foghorn Stringband is considered the present day shining gold standard for American Stringband music. Old-time square dance tunes rub shoulders with Cajun waltzes, vintage honky-tonk songs and bluegrass picking, creating a bubbling and intoxicating musical brew. Artsreach offer two opportunities to see this outstanding American group in Dorset.

■ Living Spit

Seckou Keita has arguably become the most influential and inspiring kora player of his generation. Seckou fuses the traditional forms and instruments of Senegal with those of other cultures and, in his award-winning album 22 Strings, gives us the kora in its purest guise. Combined with evocative vocals, expect an unforgettable musical experience.

A whole host of Artsreach favourites will also be treading the boards with brand new productions over the coming months. It's June's big day! Time to crack out the bubbly, overly large hats and grandma's pearls for a proper wedding, the happiest day in any woman's life. However, what with an overly joyous father of the bride, nervous groom, lost best man and disgruntled mother-in-law-to-be, where is June? Throw the confetti, and save room for cake as Theatre Exchange make their Artsreach debut with 'Our June's Wedding'.

Then, join Living Spit in the starting blocks for another adrenaline fuelled theatrical lap! Told (once again) entirely in rhyme and song, 'Tortoise vs Hare' promises to be an epic tale of romance, redemption and rural running rivalry that you'll never forget. As always, early booking is certainly advised!

Set in the fictitious fishing village of Llareggub, the future stars of Bristol Old Vic Theatre School take a twenty four hour peek into the lives and loves of the likes of Captain Cat, Polly Garter and Willy Nilly, in Dylan Thomas' 'Under Milk Wood'; a beautiful, bawdy, affectionate, reckless and deeply original play. Returning once more on their popular open-air theatre tour, Cornwall's Miracle Theatre tackle Flann O'Brien's 'The Third Policeman'. Fans of this cult classic and newcomers alike should expect the unexpected!

The Artsreach summer programme also features two exciting firsts for the scheme; in April, Max Calaf Seve performs 'Anyday', a Spanish comedy circus show featuring breath-taking trampoline skills and hilarious clowning in a brilliant and unique show for all the family.

■ Seckou Keita

Then in June, we are excited to bring the acclaimed cast of Pop up Opera to Dorset for one night only. These professional opera singers are dedicated to making opera enjoyable and inviting, without losing the quality of musical performance, and early booking is strongly advised for their performance of one of the most successful comic operas, Il Matrimonio Segreto (The Secret Wedding).

Families in Dorset don't have long to wait until the release of the Artsreach Children's Summer Workshop programme but, in the meantime, PaddleBoat Theatre Company invites you help set up camp with them at The Kingcombe Centre, and enjoy the greatest campfire story ever told: where sleeping bags evolve into monsters, rucksacks become friends and torches highlight the forest's closest secrets. 'Rustle' is an interactive family adventure jam-packed with puppets, songs and outdoor surprises.

For more details visit the Artsreach website at www.artsreach.co.uk

Absolute T-Rextasy!

T.REXTASY, has been performing all over the world for 25 years, a career that ironically out-lives Marc's very own T.Rex. In 2017, the band returns to venues across the UK to transport audiences back to the 70s for the Marc Bolan 40th commemorative anniversary tour.

Marc Bolan, with his band T.Rex, was one of the most flamboyant and charismatic stars of the original glam rock era. With Bolan's special ingredient of Rock-a-Boogie songs throughout the 1970s including 'Telegram Sam' and 'Jeepster' he was able to obtain what would be yet another Top 20 record in 1976 that has since become one of the most memorable and everlasting signature tunes, 'I Love to Boogie'.

Accepted as the world's only official live tribute band dedicated to Marc Bolan & T.Rex, and the only band endorsed and approved by Marc Bolan's family, estate, original ex-members of T.Rex, and Bolan's catalogue management, T.Rextasy have been described by many as 'beyond the boundaries of tribute'. The skilled musicianship of Danielz (vocals and lead guitar), Neil Cross (rhythm guitars, backing vocals), Rob Butterfield (bass guitar, backing vocals) and John Skelton (drums) lets the timeless music and legacy of Marc Bolan and T.Rex live on, performing everything from 20th Century Boy to Children of the Revolution and Telegraph Sam to Hot Love with superb authenticity.

This full-on concert showcases all of the hits and more, with both electric and acoustic performances, faithfully recreating the energy and performance of Marc Bolan and T.Rex. Bringing audiences to their feet across the globe, the whole family will enjoy the experience of being transported back to the 70s to re-live the experience of attending a Marc Bolan concert live.

T.Rextasy bring The Marc Bolan 40th Commemorative Anniversary Tour to Yeovil's Octagon Theatre on Saturday, June 3rd at 7.30pm. Tickets are £20.50 or £19 (concessions), available from the box office on 01935 422884 or online at ther website www.octagon-theatre.co.uk

■ Danielz as Marc Bolan

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Stars Michael Fassbender, Katherine Waterston and Billy Crudup.

JAWBONE [15]
Former youth boxing champion Jimmy McCabe, after hitting rock bottom, returns to his childhood boxing club and his old team, gym owner Bill and corner-man Eddie.
Stars Ian McShane, Ray Winstone, and Johnny Harris.

THE LAST FACE [15]
A director (Charlize Theron) of an international aid agency in Africa meets a relief aid doctor (Javier Bardem) amidst a political/social revolution, and together face tough choices surrounding humanitarianism and life through civil unrest.
Stars Charlize Theron, Javier Bardem, Adèle Exarchopolous and Jean Reno.

Cinema Listings

(all listings subject to change)

Fri, May 12th to Thu, May 18th

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Max 2: White House Hero [PG]
Daily: 15.00
A Dog's Purpose [PG]
Fri: 11.00am, Sat & Sun: 10.30, 13.00, Mon-Thu: 14.15
Alien: Covenant [15]
Fri: 10.30, 11.45, 13.30, 16.45, 17.30, 20.00, 20.45
Sat & Sun: 11.45, 13.30, 16.45, 17.30, 20.00, 20.45
Mon-Wed: 13.30, 16.45, 17.3,0 20.00, 20.30
Thu: 12.30, 15.45, 17.15, 20.30
Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 in 2D [12A]
Fri: 13.45, 17.00, 20.15
Sat & Sun: 10.30, 13.45, 17.00, 20.15, Mon-Thu: 17.00, 20.15
Lady Macbeth [15]
Fri: 12.00, 17.15, Sat & Sun: 15.30
Mon-Wed: 17.15, Thu: 14.00
Their Finest [12A]
Fri, Mon, Tue: 14.30, 19.45
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The Boss Baby [U]
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Boss Baby [U]
Sat & Sun: 14.00
Fast & Furious 8 [15]
Fri, Mon: 16.00
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Fri-Mon: 14.00, 17.10, 20.15
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Wed: 13.45, 17.00, 20.00
Thu: 15.30, 17.15, 20.15
Molly Monster [U]
Sat & Sun: 10.00am
Their Finest [12A]
Fri, Mon: 13.15

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Comrades (by Bill Douglas) [15]
Sun: 19.30
Endless Poetry [15] Thu: 19.30

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A Dog's Purpose [PG]
Fri, Mon-Tue: 11.40, 15.15, 17.45, 20.10
Sat: 10.20, 12.45, 15.15, 17.45, 20.10
Mon: 12.45, 15.15, 17.45, 20.10
Wed: 12.20, 16.10, 18.30
Thu: 12.20, 16.10
Alien: Covenant [15]
Fri-Tue: 11.40, 12.40, 14.30, 15.30, 17.20, 18.20, 19.30, 20.15, 21.00
Wed & Thu: 12.30, 14.20, 15.20, 17.10, 18.10, 20.00, 21.00
Beauty and The Beast 2D [PG]
Fri, Mon-Tue: 15.00, 18.00
Sat-Sun: 11.00, 15.00, 18.00
Fast & Furious 8 [12A]
Fri-Tue: 14.00, 17.00, 20.00
Wed & Thu: 14.15, 17.15, 20.15
Going In Style [12A] Mon: 20.40
Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 2D [12A]
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Diary Dates

WEDNESDAY MAY 10TH

MARTINSTOWN: Chair-based exercise. Martinstown Village Hall. 11am. For more details call 01308 426390.
DORCHESTER: Dorchester Community Church in Acland Road invite you to come to their coffee pop-in. You are welcome to come any time between 9.30 am and 12 noon and enjoy a drink and a rest from your shopping. There is also a stall selling handcrafted cards and other items, proceeds go to the Dorcas Wessex Trust.
LYME REGIS: U3A Heritage Coast. 'Harrods in Edwardian Times'. Talk by Yvonne Bell. Early catalogues and much more provide a fascinating insight into the shopping habits of the comfortably-off around 100 years ago, and much wry humour when viewed from a modern perspective. Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, Lyme Regis DT7 3PG. Coffee/tea from 10am, talk at 11am. Free for members, suggested donation for talk £2 to non-members. More information about the U3A at website lymeregisu3a.org or phone 01297-444566.

THURSDAY MAY 11TH

EYPE, NEAR BRIDPORT: Aqua fit sessions at Highland's End swimming pool, 10.30am, followed by Babies and Toddlers sessions at 11.30. More details from Penny Yarnold on 07970 879047.
DORCHESTER: Thursday Group meeting at St George's Church Hall, Fordington. Jill Slade of Julia's House will show a DVD by Martin Clunes. Start at 2.15pm, charge is £1 to include a biscuit and a cup of tea/coffee. All welcome. The Thursday group meets on the second Thursday of most months. For more details call 01305 269834.

FRIDAY MAY 12TH

MARTINSTOWN: Exercise to Music. Martinstown Village Hall. 10am. For more details call 01308 426390.
WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music. WI Hall, George Street. 3pm. For more details call 01308 426390.
BRIDPORT: Coffee morning in aid of Dorchester Hospital Cancer Appeal. To be held at Smith & Smith (outfitters), 8 West Street, 10am-12noon. This appeal is to improve services for all cancer patients as part of a project bringing radiotherapy services to Dorset County Hospital, rather than patients having to travel long distances to Poole. There will be also be lots of cakes and a raffle with prizes donated by our suppliers. Please phone 01308 422172 for details.

SATURDAY MAY 13TH

BRIDPORT: Bridport Choral Society. 'Bushes and Briars' with the Bridport Cafe Quartet. At Bridport United Church, 7.30pm. Tickets £8, under 16s £4, including refreshments. Available from Bridport Music or on the door.
UPLYME: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society Spring Plant Sale, from 9:30-11:30 am in Uplyme Village Hall, entry £1. Donations of plants will be welcome, and there should be a wide range of flower and vegetable plants to buy, as well as tea, coffee and cakes. Be there early as the best plants disappear quickly!
WEYMOUTH: Broadwey, Upwey & District Horticultural Society Plant Sale in the Memorial Hall, Victoria Avenue, Upwey, Weymouth starting at 2:00pm. Annuals, perennials, herbs, vegetables and more will be on sale at reasonable prices. Tea and coffee plus cakes also available. Details from 01305 814887 or see our website, BUDHS.
WEYMOUTH: Christian Aid "Big Brekkie" at Holy Trinity Church from 9am-11am.Want to change the world over breakfast at the start of Christian Aid Week? Then come and fill up at our Big Brekkie! Enjoy a continental-style breakfast with a chance to meet Fiona Daborn, Christian Aid's Regional Coordinator for Dorset. For further details and tickets £3 ring 01305 777238 or just come along on the day. Tuck in to save lives.
LYME REGIS: Local crafts and collectables at the Baptist Church Hall, Silver Street. Free admission. From 10.30am. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome. Supporting FORCE cancer charity. For more details call 01297 445232.
LODERS: Loders School May Fair, 1.30pm-4pm at Loders School. Open to all. Stalls, games, refreshments, tombola, face painting, and grand raffle.
BRIDPORT: Bridport Choral Society concert 'Bushes and Briars'. Featuring the Bridport Café Quartet. At Bridport United Church, 7.30pm. Tickets (including refreshments) £8, under 16s £4, from Bridport Music or on the door.

SATURDAY MAY 13TH & SUNDAY MAY 14TH

UPWEY, WEYMOUTH: South Dorset Woodcarvers, the Menzies Art Group and friends exhibition at Upwey Old School Hall, Church Street DT3 5QE, 10am-5.30pm. A range of items will be on show, including woodcrafts, paintings in different mediums, jewellery, walking sticks and handicrafts. Entry is free and there will be demonstrations of woodcraft techniques

SUNDAY MAY 14TH

POWERSTOCK: Plants and Teas Lindisfarne. Powerstock 2 - 5pm. Supporting the British Red Cross and Parkinson's UK. Sorry NO dogs.

MONDAY MAY 15TH

BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music. WI Hall, North Street. 5.45pm. For more details call 01308 426390.

TUESDAY MAY 16TH

WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Chair-based Exercise. WI Hall, George Street. 10.15am. For more details call 01308 426390.

WEDNESDAY MAY 17TH

EYPE, NEAR BRIDPORT: West Dorset Decorative & Fine Arts Society lecture. 'From Phaetons to Phantoms - Coachwork Design in the 18th & 19th Centuries' speaker Clive Barham-Carter. At Highlands End Leisure Centre, 2.30pm. For more details call 01297 443615.
MARTINSTOWN: Chair-based exercise. Martinstown Village Hall. 11am. For more details call 01308 426390.
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DORCHESTER: Christian Aid Market at United Church, South Street, 9.45am-1.45pm. A big variety of stalls; cakes, plants, books, jewellery, bric-a-brac etc. Plus coffee, teas, and ploughman's lunches. Official opening by Councillor Tim Harries, Mayor of Dorchester.

THURSDAY MAY 18TH

BRIDPORT: Bridport & District Gardening Club meeting at the Women's Institute Hall, North Street, 7.30pm. Speaker Alan Leaman on 'Gardening in Containers and Baskets'.
WEYMOUTH: Friends of Weymouth Library (FOWL) AGM. Also talk from Anne Cleveland on her experiences as a singer with Carl Rosa and Sadlers Wells opera company. 2.30pm

FRIDAY MAY 19TH

LYME REGIS: Lyme Bay Photographic Club AGM and end of season awards, plus social evening. At Woodmead Halls DT7 3PG.
MARTINSTOWN: Exercise to Music. Martinstown Village Hall. 10am. For more details call 01308 426390.
WEST BAY, BRIDPORT: Exercise to Music. WI Hall, George Street. 3pm. For more details call 01308 426390.
BEAMINSTER: Moviola presents 'The King and I' at Beaminster Public Hall. Doors 5.30pm, film 6pm. Tickets are Yarn Batrton 01308 862715 weekdays 9.30-12.30 & Saturdays 9.30-1pm, or call Elaine on 01308 861746.
WEYMOUTH: The South Dorset branch of the Somerset & Dorset Family History Society will be holding its monthly meeting at The St Aldhelm's Church Centre, Spa Rd, Radipole. This month's speaker is Carl Whitehouse and his subject will be "Thomas Buxton & Sir Samuel Mico". The afternoon starts at 2pm with tea, coffee and biscuits followed by the talk at 2.30. Admission is £2.

SATURDAY MAY 20TH

WEYMOUTH: Friends of Weymouth Library talk from ex Weymouth librarian Bob Sharpe on Crime Writing. £2 for members, £3 non members. 10.30am
BRIDPORT: New Elizabethan Singers will perform Handel's 'Israel in Egypt' at St Swithun's Church, Allington, Bridport at 7.30pm. This concert has been rescheduled from January due to very tragic events. Tickets bought for the original concert will, of course, be accepted or are available from Goadsby or Bridport Music, both in South St, price £12, (under 18's free). For more information, please contact 07528 105977 or see thenewelizabethansingers.org.uk/concerts
BRIDPORT: Wessex Military Band concert at Bucky Doo Square, 10am-1pm. Free but voluntary donations by bucket collection.
LYME REGIS: Local crafts and collectables at the Baptist Church Hall, Silver Street. Free admission. From 10.30am. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome. Supporting FORCE cancer charity. For more details call 01297 445232.

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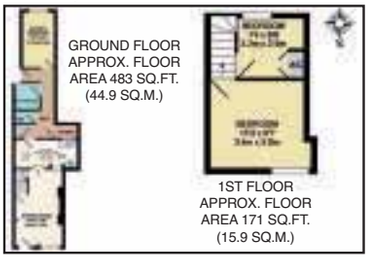

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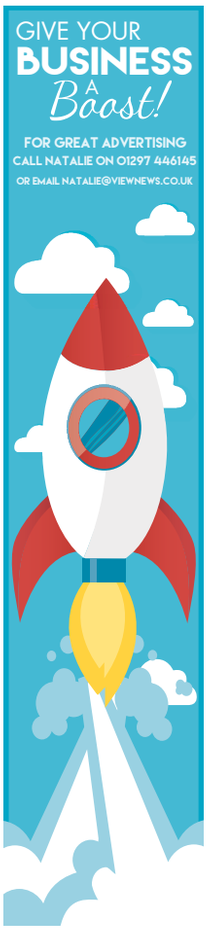

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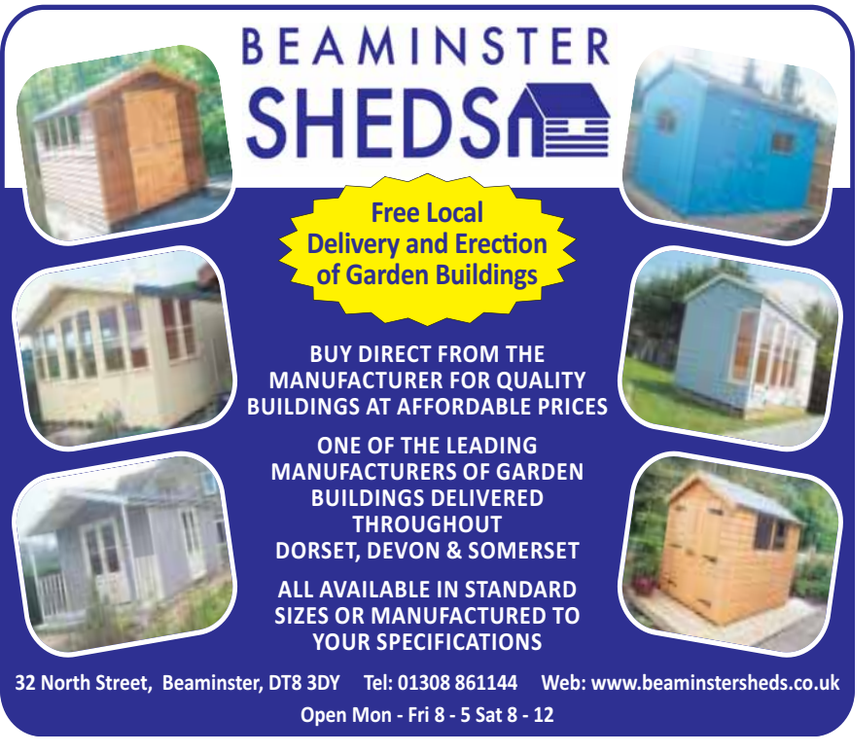

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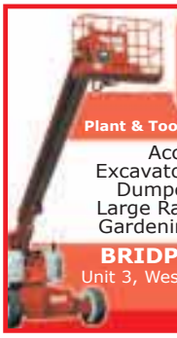

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THE SLC 180 AMG Line has been added to the SLC range, with prices starting from £32,039 OTR.

With monthly payments starting from as low as £276, the new SLC 180 makes the Mercedes-Benz roadster range more accessible than ever before.

The SLC 180 features a turbo-charged 1.6-litre petrol engine producing 156 hp and 250 Nm. It can accelerate from 0 to 62 mph in 7.9 seconds and has a top speed of 140 mph. It emits a low 134 g/km of CO2 and delivers up to 48.7 mpg combined. A six-speed manual transmission is standard, or for £1,600 customers can opt for a 9G-Tronic automatic gearbox.

The SLC 180 AMG Line comes as standard with 18-inch alloy wheels; Artico seats; Active Brake Assist; cruise control; air conditioning; sports suspension; and sports braking system.

The SLC Sport model line has also been discontinued to make the range even simpler, with AMG Line now the only option. The price of AMG Line trim has also been reduced by £500, making the SLC line-up even more attractive.

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SEAT confirms UK pricing and specification for all-new Ibiza

THE countdown has started for the most important event of the year so far for SEAT, with first orders being taken this week for the All-new SEAT Ibiza. The arrival of the hotly anticipated new model this summer promises to add even more impetus to the remarkable sales success the stylish Spanish brand is enjoying nationwide.

"Ibiza is an iconic model for SEAT, a best-seller that's been at the heart of our line-up for more than 30 years," said Richard Harrison, Director, SEAT UK. "With that kind of heritage, you can be sure the new model will be a benchmark car, taking SEAT quality, design, engineering and technology to an even higher level.

"The New Leon range and the Ateca, our first SUV, have set the scene perfectly, generating huge customer response and helping raise UK sales to record heights already this year. The All-new Ibiza will complete a powerful trio at the heart of our brand and we cannot wait to introduce it to British buyers."

Early reports from British media experts who were first to get behind the wheel signal just how good a car the latest Ibiza promises to be. Auto Express magazine declared it "sets the class standard" for superminis, while What Car? reports that it's "great to look at and to drive – one of the best small cars you can buy".

In terms of street appeal, the All-new Ibiza – now exclusively a five-door – is every inch a modern SEAT, designed and developed in Barcelona. Sporty, edgy lines combine with sculpted bodywork to give the car striking, eye-catching appeal, with a clear bloodline link to the cool styling cues established with the new Leon and Ateca, and further distinguishing SEAT as a leader in contemporary car design. Hot new exterior colours and a class-leading eight-inch infotainment screen have been added too, to keep Ibiza firmly on-trend with current tastes.

The new underpinnings are the key to making the latest Ibiza a lithe performer around urban streets and an engaging proposition when out on the open road. They also allow for an exceptionally spacious cabin in a car that's actually shorter than the one it replaces: with width increased by 87mm, 60mm added to the wheelbase and 35mm more rear legroom, comfortable accommodation is guaranteed. And there's more room in the boot, too, with an extra 63 litres available.

The All-new Ibiza arrives at launch with a choice of four petrol engines, majoring on a new 1.0-litre three-cylinder unit, engineered to deliver a compelling mix of economy and spirited performance. In standard form it will produce a useful 75PS, while turbo versions will offer 95 and 115PS – the latter reserved for the sporty FR model with a six-speed manual or sophisticated dual-clutch automatic transmission. Official benchmark figures indicate combined cycle fuel consumption from 60.1 mpg and 106 g/km of CO2 (1.0 TSI 95PS). To add an extra performance dimension to the range, the FR will also be available with a potent 150PS 1.5 EVO engine, while diesels will be added to the line-up later in the year.

The new SE Technology is the expected top pick for UK buyers, coming equipped with Media System Plus with eight-inch colour touchscreen, navigation with 3D map display, voice recognition, DAB digital radio and two USB ports. The FR focuses on sportier looks with 17-inch alloys, dark-tinted rear glass, brilliant black and chrome bodywork details and twin exhausts; likewise, the cabin is fitted with sports front seats and flat-bottom steering wheel and Full Link smartphone integration. Add in sports suspension, rear disc brakes and SEAT Drive Profile with four selectable drive modes and you have a car that adds authentic performance to its arresting looks. XCELLENCE, new to Ibiza, tops out the range, with distinguishing features such as 16-inch machined alloy wheels, Atom Grey door mirror housings, Alcantara upholstery, dual-zone climate control, keyless entry-and-go, front and rear parking sensors and a rear-view camera.

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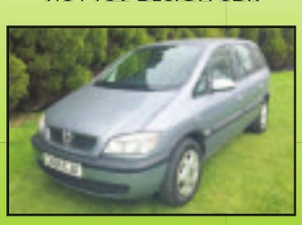

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Hamworthy Recreation	32	69*
Merley Cobham Sports	32	67
Westland Sports	32	65
Swanage & Herston	32	63
DORCHESTER SPORTS	32	59
Gillingham Town Res	32	54
Parley Sports	32	51
Blandford Utd	32	39
Wareham Rangers	32	32
Mere Town	32	30
Sturminster Newton Utd	32	29
BRIDPORT RESERVES	32	28
Hamworthy Utd Res	32	20
Sherborne Town Rese	32	14
Cranborne	32	7

Dorset Senior (26)	Pld	Pts
Witchampton Utd	25	63
Shaftesbury Town Res	24	57
DORCHESTER SP RES	26	55
Milborne Port	26	42
CHICKERELL UTD	26	42
Corfe Mullen Utd	25	38
Allendale	25	37
PORTLAND UTD RES	25	36
Wincanton Town Res	25	29
Poole Borough	25	26
Piddletrenthide Utd	26	24*
Westlands Sports Res	26	23*
Blandford Utd Res	26	16*
Boscombe Polonia	24	13

Dorset League Div 1 (26)	Pld	Pts
Broadstone	25	56
AFC Blandford	25	55
Wareham Rangers Res	24	55
Corfe Castle	24	54
Mere Town Reserves	25	46
Canford Utd	24	38
Tisbury	25	34*
Wool & Winfrith	26	31
Swanage & Herston Res	25	28*
Parley Sports Res	25	28
WEYMOUTH A	26	24
BALTI SPORTS RES	25	21*
PORTLAND UTD YOUTH	26	16*
PORTLAND TOWN	25	6

Dorset League Div 2 (20)	Pld	Pts
Allendale Reserves (C)	20	46
Stalbridge	20	39
Piddlehinton Utd	20	39
Broadmayne	20	38
MAIDEN NEWTON & C	20	38
PORTESHAM UTD	20	24
Sturm Newton Utd Res	20	24*
Owermoigne	20	21*
Broadstone Res	20	17
CHICKERELL UTD RES	19	12
Milborne Port Res	19	8*

Dorset Div Four (22)	Pld	Pts
BRIDPORT A (C)	21	26
Swanage RBL	22	52*
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Marnhull Res	21	19*
Wincanton Town A	21	17*
Wool & Winfrith A	21	12*
Crossways Spitfires	22	11

Dorset Football

Five-star Stickland

DORCHESTER Sports finished their Dorset Premier League season in style by thrashing Wareham Rangers 6-1 at the Avenue Stadium.

All the goals came in the seocnd half with Jamie West (3), sub Will Turlkand (2) and Ed Beasley on target for the Sports and Francisco Exposito netting for wareham.

SENIOR LEAGUE

League leaders Witchampton need just a point from next Saturday's trip to mid-tablers Allendale to be sure of the Senior Division title after a 1-1 draw away at **Portland Utd Reserves** where Josh Camp scored for the Blues.

Dorchester Sports Reserves and Milborne Port shared the points drawing 2-2 with Jordan Butler and Jamie West netting for Dorchester.

Two goals for Warren White and one a piece for James Hansford and Josh Why saw **Chickerell United** finish their season off with a resounding 4-0 home win against relegated Boscombe Polonia.

Corfe Mullen Utd visited Wincanton Town Reserves and came home clutching thee points after a 4-0 win with goals from Harry White, Mike Corbett, Matt Lemar and Jack Clements.

Poole Borough won 3-1 away at Westlands Sports Reserves. Lewis Howchin scored for Westlands in their last match of the season.

DIVISION ONE

BROADSTONE moved to the top of finely poised Division One table going into the last week of the season with a 3-1 win at **Portland Town**. George Oliver, Mike Todd and Dan Dwyer were on target for Broadstone and Alex Counter netted for Portland.

A brace a piece for Mark Ford, Sammy Lyth and Chris Dickson saw AFC Blandford win 6-2 away at fellow title contenders Corfe Castle. Courtney Johnston and Matt Suttle scored for Corfe.

Wareham Rangers, also title contenders, won 4-2 at Tisbury where Dan Booth and Luke Woods scored the hosts' consolations.

Weymouth A won the derby game at Balti Sports Reserves 3-2. Josh Burton and Shane Lock netted for Balti.

Swanage and Canford shared the points drawing 1-1. Cody Little scored for Swanage and George Heap for Canford.

DIVISION TWO

CHAMPIONS Allendale Reserves ended a great campaign in style with goals from Chris Danvers (2), Carl Fleet and George Kniff in a 4-1 win at Milborne Port Reserves.

Stalbridge sealed the runners-up spot with their 4-2 away win at Sturminster Newton Reserves. Wayne Moussalli and Jack Stirk nette the Stur consolations.

DIVISION FOUR

LEAGUE winners Bridport A won 1-0 away at Wincanton Town A while Matt Stickland netted all five as **Chickerell Utd A** beat visitors Marnhull Reserves 5-2.

Rainbows return

PERRY Street League Premier Divison side **Beaminster**'s application to join the Dorset League has been confirmed.

It is believed that 'The Rainbows', who last featured in the league back in 2002-03 will be allocated a place in Division One.

Cricket extras

MCC to meet Dorset

DORCHESTER Cricket Club is to host a 50-over match between Dorset and the MCC at the Rec on Thursday June 1st.

It is hoped that the match which will commence at 11am will include some local players in the Dorset side, whilst it is too early to confirm the MCC side it is expected to involve some professionals.

Dorchester Cricket Club's youth players will be providing entertainment during the lunch interval with a series of Kwik Cricket matches.

The club which has a bar and an outside picnic area are expecting to provide a barbecue and will be hosting a marquee where vice-presidents, sponsors and former players are invited for refreshments.

The club ask that anyone anticipating joining them to contact the club and confirm their attendance to help catering demands.

Spokesman Simon Joslin said: "The club is excited and honoured to be chosen to host the event, and hope that members of the public, especially children as it is half term, will come along and enjoy what promises to be an exciting day."

FOUR: Martinstown skipper Ed Nichols pulls a ball from Dorchester's Dave Trotter (right) to the boundary. Dorchester went on to win Saturday's local derby by eight wickets.
Photo by STUART BROOM

Legg starts with a ton

Dorchester & District Evening League

THE start of the cricket season all too often seems to bring rain, but this year the first full week of the evening league has been blessed with fine, if rather cold, conditions writes Robin Potter.

Most of the matches have been cup games and the first round is now almost completed, without any major shocks: Charlton Down, Puddletown, Abbotsbury, Casuals and Cosmos proceeding to round two without serious alarm.

The outstanding batting performance came from Plush's Andy Legg, scoring 100 not out, including five 6s, in only 15 overs in his side's victory over Cattistock 2nds.

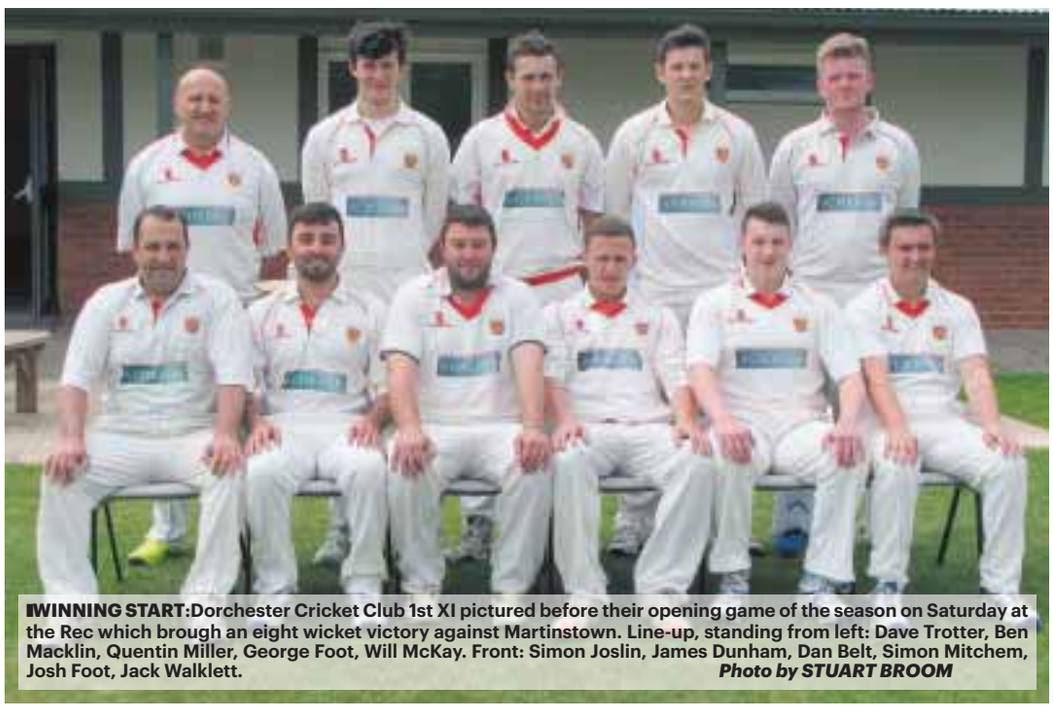
Also already on the five 6s mark are St George's Matt King in his unbeaten 77 and Dan Belt with 78 not out for Dewlish; remarkably these were both in the same match so Dan can feel himself unfortunate to be on the losing side!

Similarly unfortunate was Dan Pope whose 52 represented nearly three-quarters of the total in Winfrith's loss to Charlton Down, the defeat being in due no small part to Sam Roles' 76 for the winning side.

But the best performance of the week has to be that of Steven Chaldecott of Puddletown whose bowling figures of 5 for 5 in only 2.4 overs was far too much for ASM, whose total of 33 included four successive ducks.

All fixtures start at 6.30pm.

Dorchester CC 1st XI



WINNING START: Dorchester Cricket Club 1st XI pictured before their opening game of the season on Saturday at the Rec which brough an eight wicket victory against Martinstown. Line-up, standing from left: Dave Trotter, Ben Macklin, Quentin Miller, George Foot, Will McKay. Front: Simon Joslin, James Dunham, Dan Belt, Simon Mitchem, Josh Foot, Jack Walklett.
Photo by STUART BROOM

Changes at Moonfleet

MADGE Churches the outgoing President of the Moonfleet 2000 Indoor Bowls Club thanked the retiring members of the Bowls Committee Charles Langridge (Competition Secretary) and Sheila Goddard (Bowls Development) for their long-standing commitment at the Clubs AGM last Thursday.

Phil Lock was elected as new President with Helen Monelle as Vice President.

Four members were elected as newcomers to the Bowls Committee, Doug Plumpton as Bowls Development, Jennifer Browne and Steve Wilson as Ladies and Men's Competition Secretaries and Julie Watts as Ladies Secretary. Madge Churches was made Past President.

There was keen voting for the four charities put forward by members for the year starting in October with the neighbouring Steps Club for young people,winning the vote.

The Club is holding it's Summer Open Day on Saturday from 10am to 4 pm where any aspiring bowlers or person aged 8 to 80+ can come along and have a try. There are facilities for disabled persons and the Club is are Clubmark accredited.

For new bowlers there are five two training sessions for £15 starting on Thursday, May 18th.

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Bridport Golf

County win for Carole

THE **Men's** May Medal attracted 59 starters on Sunday and conditions for golf were pretty good as was the scoring *writes Peter Crowter*.

Results - Division One; 1st Patrick Hart 79-12=67, 2nd Dave Smith 78-10=68 (Lowest gross), 3rd (acb) Steve Crabb 79-7=72.

Division Two; 1st Tony Burt 80-14=66, 2nd Ian Kearley 83-15=68, 3rd (acb) Ian Thacker 86-14=72.

Division Three; 1st Andrew Harrison 84-19=65, 2nd Andrew Reichter 92-22=70, 3rd Robin Ormsby 90-19=71.

Harrison, Burt, Kearley and Hart received a one stroke handicap cut.

Last Thursday's **veterans** match against Long Sutton was a single division self-entry Stableford. Fifty members took part and, despite a changeable wind and the end of winter rules, some good scores were turned in.

Results; 1st Richard Fox(19) 41 points, 2nd Martin Oliver(22) 40, 3rd Jim Adams(24) 36, 4th (acb) Ray Southcombe(15) 35, 5th Keith Hicks(19) 35.

Fox and Oliver received a one stroke handicap cut.

Thirteen players entered the **Mixed** Midweek Stableford. The winner after countback was Larwence Turner(22) scoring 37 points. Runner-up was Toby Hall(8) while William Davison(23) was third with 34.

Both the Saturday and Tuesday **Ladies** played for the Par Cup *writes Di Neal*.

The winner was Julie Oliver -2 ocb from Sandra March, third was Julie Walters -3 ocb from Jan Clark, fifth was Carolyn McAllister again on -3 and the final prize winner was Julie Woodroffe with -4.

Meanwhile, Carole Brown is the new Dorset County Spring Challenge winner having played a superb nett 69 round to win by five shots at Broadstone which resulted in a handicap cut to 14.

Finally, Bridport won mixed match at HONITON.

WELL DONE: Carole Brown (left) with Dorset County President Ann Talbot.

Lyme Regis Bowls

Double figure win

THE Championship side had a spectacular 10-0 win (72-41) over defending champions Dorchester who fielded a weakened line-up.

Lyme 2 had a fine 7-3 win over Dorchester B in Division Two, this should have been a 9-1 but for an unfortunate drop of 6 shots from Dave Wood's team on the last end. In the South Dorset League, Lyme again had good success against Bridport B with an 8-2 win.

The Ladies went down 1-9 at Blandford with Nola Stephen's rink managing to scrape a draw to prevent a whitewash.

Lyme Bowling Club is offering half price membership to new members. Anyone interested can find details on the club's website or come along on a Wednesday evening to the informal 'Club Night' when anyone can turn up and have a go.

Dorset Men's Championship -Lyme Regis 72 Dorchester 41; T Allman, S Pomeroy, S Chant, P Pomeroy 31-13; G Clode, R Cridge, A Weech, B Rattenbury 21-17; R Hobbs, P Eagles, K Hickman, P Moffitt 20-11.

West Dorset Men Division Two -Lyme Regis 47 Dorchester B 46; M McAlpine, P Stephens, R Legg, D Meylan 15-15; N Bond, J Beadsley, J Moseley, C Barber 15-13; S Dowling, A Nabarro, B Parsons, D Wood 17-18.

South Dorset Men Division Two - Lyme Regis 48 Bridport B 42; P Stephens, N Bond, A Nabarro, B Rattenbury 19-13; M McAlpine, J Moseley, R Hobbs, R Legg 13-17; M Heneghan, A Preece, D Wood, A Weech 16-12.

Lyme Regis 74 Axminster 79; L Young, R Turpin, P Knight, A Preece 20-14; T Young, S Bond, A Henson, P Weech 16-26; A Darvill, M Knight, N Bond, A Nabarro 24-16; V Henson, T Payne, D Courtenay-Smith, A Weech 14-23.

Lyme Regis 64 Chard 65; G Clode, N Bond, S Rowe 18-19; N Driscoll, S Bond, P Moffitt 23-6; R Hobbs, J Moffitt, Chas Barber 14-19; B Driscoll, N Solomon, Chris Barber 9-21.

Lyme Regis 112 Bridport 106; P Ward, P Stephens, R Hobbs, C Barber 28-17; M McAlpine, A Nabarro, R Cridge 19-21; D Read, N Solomon, D Wood, P Moffitt 18-15; J Owen, G Clode, T Allman, R Legg 17-18; T Payne, J Moseley, B Rattenbury 15-22; G Broom, N Bond, B Parsons, D Meylan 21-13.

A view from the Boundary - The Dorset League

WITH STUART BROOM

Dorchester win at a canter

THE keenly anticipated curtain raiser between Dorchester and Martinstown never really materialised, as the county town ran our easy winners at the Rec.

There were also great wins for newly promoted Cattistock and Charlton Down as well as Beaminster and Puddletown, and Symene on their return to Saturday cricket.

Dorset Funeral Plan League
Premier League
Dorchester 103-2 (20) beat Martinstown (1) by 8 wickets

With two fairly evenly contested games last season, it suggested another close encounter, but turned out to be a damp squib.

Dorchester won the toss and inserted the visitors who made a steady start but instigated their own downfall by two run outs.

First 15-year-old Sean Williams, making his first team debut, was not quick enough to beat George Foot's throw, before Lee House was also caught napping by a quick piece of work from Jack Walklett to leave them 22-2.

Sam Kershaw never looked comfortable and was finally bowled by James Dunham (1-29) without scoring, and John Stewart also went for a duck, bowled by Dave Trotter (2-30).

All this time captain Ed Nichols was trying to take the attack to Dorchester, but when he was caught by Simon Joslin for 37 with the score 60-5 it was curtains for Martinstown.

The tail collapsed as Jack Walklett (3-23) and Dan Belt (2-9) rattled through and they were finally dismissed for 99.

There was an early success for Martinstown when Ben Macklin was caught behind by Nichols off Matt Camp (1-23), but with Will McKay showing early season promise with 41 (8x4), and with Belt (27*) he added 83 for the second wicket, which with Simon Mitchem's contribution (9*) saw them comfortably home.

County Division One
Cattistock 312-5 (20) beat Broadstone 2nd (3) 105 by 207 runs

JON Legg continued where he left off last season with 98 as Cattistock began with a comfortable win over a 10-man Broadstone 2nd.

Legg who stroked 15 boundaries missed out on a ton trying to hit Rich Poole over the top of the field, put on 107 for the first wicket with Martin Langford (36).

Brad Johns hit a quick 20, and Billy Walbridge (36) and Liam Toohill (24) also produced useful knocks.

However, it was an unbeaten sixth wicket stand that really livened thinks up. Steve Tucker hit 4x4 fours and 6x6 , four of them succession in one over, on his way to 68 off 26 balls, whilst Brad Damen (19*) was much more restrained with just three boundaries.

Broadstone made a decent start in reply with Ian Griffiths (34) and Greg Parsons (8) putting on 54 for the first wicket, but whilst Sam Beer (19) and Niral Kerai (14) gave some support, Toohill (3-28), Legg (2-21) and a wicket apiece for Bradley and Callum Mullins saw them dismissed for 105 all out.

Cerne Valley 258-5 (20) beat Weymouth (6) 195 by 63 runs

DESPITE an opening day defeat, Weymouth captain Simon Browne was not too despondent and looked at several positives from the game.

Although he felt the target of 258 was 30 or 40 more than he expected, he admitted Cerne deserved their win.

However, with Browne at the crease and Weymouth 155-2 with 16 overs remaining he felt they were in with a chance. But the skipper, who had added 63 with Kieron Womble, was adjudged leg before and the innings began unravel as Dave Portch claimed 5-25 with only Paul Collins (21) showing any resistance.

Batting first, Cerne Valley's openers Nick Wardlaw (72) and George Chubb (40) put on a century partnership and with Simon Walsh adding 74, they amassed 258-5.

Browne was particularly pleased with Graham Puckett's nine over spell which saw him concede a miserly 17 runs. He also felt Neil Walton's 2-40 from his nine didn't reflect his effort, whilst Browne picked up 2-48.

Although Tom England (8) fell lbw Dean Janaway and Womble took the score to 96 before the former was caught for 29. Womble (42) and Browne (32) looked comfortable and a Weymouth victory looked a possibility.

"At 155-2 with 16 overs to go we looked like we might cause them problems, but it was an encouraging performance, almost reaching 200, and I'm reasonably confident we will be okay this season."

County Division 2
Portland Red Triangle (20) beat Cranborne (-20) scratched

County Division 3
Poole Town 3rd (4) 164 lost to Beaminster 168-2 (20) by 8 wickets

POOLE were inserted and struggled against some tight bowling by Ross Baker and Francis Medley (1-35), but it was first change bowler Will Moss (2-34), who made the breakthrough with the 29 on the board.

Ali Crawford picked up 2-26 from his eight overs, and with Pete Bustin (1-19) picking up a wicket in a tidy spell, Poole were 66-3.

A good stand of 44 between Karthick and Hemmings looked to set the hosts up for a good score, but the return of Baker changed that as he took three wickets in one excellent triple wicket over.

Although the lower order rallied Beaminster restricted their hosts to a below par 164-9 from 45 overs.

Beaminster's reply started badly with Lewis Keenan run out without facing a ball. However Park (81*) and Crawford (61) shared a superb 142 run partnership. Park's innings included 15 boundaries while Crawford hit 10 before he was caught with 22 required. Beaminster reached their target in the 31st over as Leo Gurd (13*) hit the winning runs.

Charlton Down 243-6 (20) beat Dorchester 2nd (4) 107 by 136 runs

CHARLTON Down opened their season with a convincing 136 run win.

After losing the toss, Charlton openers Roger Frapwell (56) and Jae Miller (61) batted cautiously against the Dorchester opening bowlers of Mike Peak (1-23) and Habib Wardak (1-51), setting a good platform with the score to 76-0 at drinks

The pair then added 61 runs in just nine overs before Eiron Fitzgerald removed his wicket keeping pads and had Frapwell well caught by Andy Monk for 56 (10x4) to break the 133-run stand.

Four runs later Pete Diffy (1-38) bowled Miller for 61 (7x4, 7x6) off 81 balls. Nick Voss and Sam Roles (20) then added 56 in only six overs to push the score to 193-2, before the returning opening bowlers accounted for Roles and Matt Stevens, and a quality stumping by Sean Fitzgerald off son Eiron as Charlton Down crept past 200.

However, Nick Voss saw him hit a quick fire 59* (7x4, 2x6) in only 46 balls as he took Charlton Down's innings to an imposing 243-6.

Dorchester's Sean and Eiron Fitzgerald found batting difficult against the opening bowling brothers of Matt and Dan Stevens and it was the latter who had Eiron Fitgerald caught mistiming a drive straight to Roles at cover with the score on 25-1. Matt Stevens then bowled Steve Clifford (5) with an in swinging yorker.

The experienced duo of Sean Fitzgerald and captain Peak steadied the ship and added 32 before a mini collapse saw Fitzgerald, Baker and Diffy all dismissed to leave the visitors 69-5. Wardak and Billy Baker took the score to 100 when Baker was caught and bowled by Kim Park.

The guile of Fagence (7-5-5-3) then reduced Dorchester to 107-9 leaving Dan Stevens to bowl Ben Alford (2) to take the first 20 point haul for Charlton Down.

County Division 4
Puddletown (20) 308-3 beat Abbotsbury (6) 181 by 127 runs

PUDDLETOWN began the new season with a resounding 127 run defeat of visitors Abbotsbury.

Debutant Swans' skipper Simon Allen was to have a reduced role in the game after breaking his hand in an evening league game.

His first action was to lose the toss to Puddletown counterpart and opening batsman Lucas Allen, who opted to bat first on the artificial surface.

The foundations of their innings was laid by an opening stand of 125 between Tim Orford (58) and Allen who were let off the hook three times in the opening six overs as catching opportunities were spilled.

The breakthrougharrived in the 19th over with the introduction of spinner Krish Subramanian (2-37) who had Orford well caught by Kynan Brian.

The momentum was maintained by Adam Barrett who joined Allen, and the pair put on a further 31 before Allen, trying to repeat a straight six was caught by Ashley Harrow on the boundary for 85.

Adam Weir joined Barrett, and the pair put on 157 before Barrett was dismissed by Pete Lawrence for 70, and the innings closed with Weir unbeaten on 67 as Puddletown amassed 308-3 in their 40 overs.

In the Swans reply, pace bowler Weir (2-34) produced a lively opening spell and got the early breakthrough as a pitched up delivery broke through Simon Pengelly's defence for a duck.

Chas Duerdoth (12) was next to depart with a leading edge off Weir (2-34), the catch well taken by Mike Crabb at mid off.

Nick Kneebone and Brian provided some stability with a 74 run stand but the target was cleary out of reach and Abbotsbury settled for batting points.

Brian (32) found the boundary five times before snicking a Lucas Allen (3-35) delivery into the slip cordon and Kneebone (33) fell to a fine catch by Crabb off Tom Arkell (2-22).

Wickets then tumbled at regular intervals with the main resistance coming from Pittman who was last out for 36, and Grafton Straker (10*). With skipper Allen unable to bat, the Swans were bowled out for 181 but at least acquired maximum batting points. Crabb (2-14) bagged a brace with spinner Arkell's figures 2- 22 being particularly impressive.

County Division Five
Martinstown (5) 115-9 lost to Portland Red Triangle 2nd (19) 203-6 by 98 runs.

County Division Six
Symene (20) 38-0 beat Winton 3rd (0) 37by 10 wickets.

SYMENE had a simple task in their opening fixture having dismissed Winton 3rd for just 37 in a game played by two teams of 10.

Winning the toss and deciding to bat, the visitors were soon in trouble when captain Graham Bartlett struck with two in two balls.

Ethan Robertson (2-8) then claimed two victims to leave Winton at 4-4. It got worse however as Marcel Grunschloss produced a smart run out with only one stump to aim at to leave them 4-5.

Finally Kieron Davies managed to get bat on ball and his 14 runs helped them reach 37 with Bartlett cleaning up the tail to finish with 3-2.

In reply Jamie Dolman hit six boundaries in his 26*.

Readers Mid-Wessex Division One
Broadwindsor (20) 178-5 beat Compton Dundon (6) 177 by 5 wickets

AN unbeaten 70 from Ali Crawford saw Broadwindsor home with plenty to spare, although they had to refocus after losing three quick wickets at 140-2.

Crawford received good support from Lewis Keenan (27), Jack Walklett (22) and Ryan Sweetman (22).

Earlier the visitors had to thank B Chislett (61) and O Phillips (66) for most of their total as Eiron Fitzgerald (4-37) and Neil Jewitt with 3-11 from 6.2 overs **put the skids under the rest.**

Top batting performances: Jon Legg (Cattistock) 98; Lucas Allen (Puddletown) 85; Chris Park (Beaminster) 81 not out; Adam Weir (Puddletown) 70

Top bowling performances: Eiron Fitzgerald (Broadwindsor) 4-37

Bridport Skittles

UPCOMING cup fixtures.

Knock Out Cup (semi-finals)
Tonight (Weds)
Portman Cup SF
Loders Arms - Castouts (22) v Rockets.
Woodman - Slingers (23) v Nelson Nobblers.

Nomination Final
Wednesday, May 10th
Bridport FC – Wanderers v Shipfaced.

Losers C & D Final
Thursday, May 11th
Bradpole Club - Yo Yo's v NBC.

Knock-Out Final
Tuesday, May 16th
Lord Nelson - The Dingles v Dingbats.

Portman Cup Final
Wednesday, May 17th
Bradpole Club - Castouts(3/26) or Rockets(0/4) v Slingers(0/19) or Nelson Nobblers(0/0).

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Highest Lady Individual League (86) score - S Luter (Yo Yo's).
Dunns Trophy — N Willcox (Rejects) & D Wyatt (Masters) 15 points.
Echo Rose Bowl — G Legg (Brandy Snaps) 18 points.

Division A	Pld	Pts
Shipfaced	21	41
Masters	21	27
Rockets	21	26
Rejects	22	25
Denhay	21	22
Slingers	22	19
Wanderers	20	19
Broadoak	22	18
Nelson Nobblers	20	18
Rough Eight	21	18
Lively Lads	20	10
U Know the Blokes	21	9

Division B	Pld	Pts
The Dingles	20	27
Miss the Ball	20	25
Countrymen	20	24
Outsiders	20	21
Dingbats	20	20
Lost in Time	20	19
Bangers	19	18
Originals	19	18
Castouts	20	16
Survivors	20	16
Aussies Lot	20	14

Division C	Pld	Pts
Gerryatrics	20	34
Pioneers	21	30
LHS	21	28
NBC	21	28
Wickers	21	28
Unknowns	20	18
Whiskey Chasers	21	18
Stingers	19	15
Yo Yo's	21	15
Groundhogs	20	12
Brandy Snaps	20	10

Division D	Pld	Pts
Alcoholics	20	36
Strawpeedoes	20	36
Featherbeds	20	27
BFC	20	24
Alleycats	20	24
Let em Roll	19	20
Offcuts	19	15
Hidden Talent	18	12
Pinbashers	20	12

Youth cricket

Uplyme youngsters well beaten

Dorchester 80 for 5 beat
Uplyme 37 all out by 43 runs

UPLYME won the toss and elected to bowl first against Dorchester in the first round of the West Dorset Junior ECB cup.

Ollie Tayor and Jack Rattenbury bowled the opening five overs accurately butcouldn't make the breakthrough.

It was not until the introduction of new boy Brooklyn Wilkins that Uplyme made a inroads as he clean bowled both D Derrien and

J Kelly with successive deliveries. A Ryan (12) then came together with opener J Morris (28 retired) and together they rebuilt the innings.

However, Uplyme fought back when skipper Sam Sims caught Ryan off his own bowling before having C Brown well caught by Rattenbury.

Matt House then claimed his first wicket of the season after a fine spell to leave Dorchester 80 for 5 at the end of their innings.

Once again Uplyme struggled with the bat and no batsman reached double figures and ran out deserved winners by 43 runs.

Bridport rugby

World Cup finalist in town

BRIDPORT Rugby Club will be holding its AGM in the clubhouse at Bridport Leisure Centre on Wednesday, May 24th commencing at 7.30pm

The club's annual presentation dinner is scheduled for Friday, May 19th May at the clubhouse when the guest speaker will be ex Australian international **Justin Harrison** who was on the losing side in the 2003 World Cup final against England. Anyone interested in a ticket should contact Allan Staerck on 01308 420801.

Bridport Indoor Bowls

Wickers off to a flier

THE WICKERS of Roy Nicoll, Robin Pither & Barry Mapson showed no mercy as they hammered Four Men and a lady 20-4 to remain top of the **Morning League**.

Ruby and Bernard Winton & Mel Hargett's Bandits also made it two wins out of two with a 12-6 win over Scuttlebutts.

A two count on the final end gave John Boxall and Rose & Chris Everest's Hatters victory over Hillbillies 14-10, whilst Alan Wotherspoon, Nova Varney & Brian Baker's Supernovas beat the Grumblers 15-10.

Meanwhile Sylvia and Mike Fletcher & Len Guppy's Mannequins defeated Hotspurs 19-3.

Lyn and Peter Sandall & Eric White's Potters were the big winners in the **Evening League** with a 18-9 victory over Totties.

Sandra and Mel Hargett & Anne Parkins Jackpots came from 4-6 down to beat the Chancers 16-9, and Tony Sharood, Phil Benton & Mike Parsons Wyverns beat the Pirates 13-12.

Penny and Robin Pither & Keith Hicks' Lillywhites defeated Dingos to win 15-14. Mike Cash, Darren Simpson & Mike Fletcher's Butlins were happy campers with a 11-7 win against Was-ups, whilst Roy Nicoll, Julie Bright & Martin Grier's Gazelles beat Renegades 9-8.

Lyme Regis Sailing

Tricky Coronation Cup comp

*SAILED in conditions where the vagaries of the wind, described as a 'vicar's hat wind', the **Coronation Cup** saw a mixed fleet of 18 competing.*

Race officer Ian Wallace opted for a traditional wall start, giving interest for spectators who could see and hear the flags and hooters which set the dinghies off.

It is a while since this formerly common sight has been seen in Lyme, as windward starts are preferred, but it worked well in the unreliable NE breeze.

Two laps of a course to the Charmouth sewer buoy saw the race last up to two and a half hours.

A mixture of six classes took the first seven places with the only single-hander among them, Hilton Davis, finishing second.

Results – Dinghies;1st Jon Turner & Katie Frost (Merlin Rocket), 2nd Hilton Davis (K1), 3rd Max Smith & Jerry Rook (Albacore), 4th Stuart Gurney & Eveyln Toogood (Albacore), 5th Dave Stubbs & Paul Aitken (RS400), 6th Tony Fastnedge & Dave Guthrie (5o5).

Later, five lift keel boats competed with Rob & Margaret Wiscombe leading the fleet home, followed by Sharyn & Rob Walker, results are to be computed.

Gig Racing - World Championships, Isles of Scilly

Best ever results for Bridport and Lyme

LYME REGIS

FOR any sporting club to continue to improve in a sport that is rapidly evolving is a great achievement, but that is exactly what Lyme Regis Gig Club have done continuously over the past few years.

This progress continued last weekend at the annual World Pilot Gig Championships at the Isles of Scilly. Joined by over 3,500 rowers from all over the South West and as far as the Netherlands, Ireland and the USA, Lyme Gig Club entered a record 43 rowers in 11 crews.

Friday saw the Vets & Super-vets races take place from St Agnes to St Mary's Quay, a distance of 1.59NM.

The Ladies Super-vets came 10th in a field of 27. Next came the Ladies Vets who came 18th in a field of 51.

The Men's Super Vets A crew came a fantastic 3rd in a field of 26. This experienced crew continued their fine form having already recorded a win at Dartmouth in April. Only narrowly beaten by Helford and Charlestown, they battled all the way to the line. Supervets crew are; Chris Walters, Neil Spurdle, Toby Newson, Peter Rowsell, Chris Bailey and Nick Bale. This is the first top three result for any Dorset crew in the history of the championships.

Finally on Friday, the Men's Vets came in a great 8th out of a field of 42.

The first main races on Saturday are again the Long Race from St Agnes to St Mary's Quay and all the 140 or so competing gigs rowed out in the blustery seas to the mile long start line.

Following this race, each gig is seeded and the heats are split into groups of 12 for the next race from Nut Rock, off Tresco to St Mary's Quay.

One of these heats was held on Saturday afternoon and the other on Sunday morning, with the top two gigs being promoted and the bottom two relegated.

The finals for both the men and ladies take place on the Sunday afternoon, again racing the same course. Each group then has a winner and the outcome of group A decides who the overall Champion is.

The Ladies A Team achieved a fantastic 17th in the Long Race on Saturday and finished a Club record best at 36th in a field of 143. The Ladies B Crew came in 89th. The overall ladies winning Clubs were 1st Caradon 2nd Fowey, 3rd St Mary's.

The Men's A crew finished 18th, The B Crew at 40th, The C Crew at 79th and the D Crew at 114th from a field of 140 gigs.

The overall mens winning clubs were 1st Falmouth, 2nd Looe, 3rd Caradon. These final races completed the best ever

GREAT EXPERIENCE: Lyme Regis Ladies A team

set of results for the Club.

Massive thanks to the Clubs Championship's Coxons, three of whom alternately coxed and rowed through the main events.

Finally big thanks to those who invested so much time in preparing the boats for travel, especially Jeff Legge and David Clayton, amongst many others.

Results; Mens A crew 18th/137, Mens B crew 40th, Mens C crew 79th, Mens D crew 114th, Ladies A crew 36th/142, Ladies B crew 89th, Ladies supervets 10th/27, Ladies vets 18th/51 , Mens supervets 3rd/26, Mens supervets B 22nd, Mens vets 8th/42.

The club is hosting a QUIZ NIGHT at Uplyme Village Hall on Friday at 7pm. Teams of 4-6, £6.50 per person include a cheese board. Everyone welcome.

BRIDPORT

NINE crews from Bridport gig club competed in the championships.

Bridport ladies rowed brilliantly over the 1.8 mile 'long race' from St Agnes to St Mary's quay to finish 7th out of 27.

The ladies veterans (over 40) entered two crews - the A crew secured 13th and the B team finished 22nd out of 51.

The men's veterans rowed hard to secure a very strong 10th out of 42.

On Saturday it was the turn of the ladies and men's main draw races over the St Agnes long race.

After one heat both the ladies A and B crews were in group D - a first for Bridport to have two ladies crews in the same heat.

The ladies C were in group G - another first for Bridport to have a C crew at the championships. The men's A team began Sunday's racing in group D and the men's B in group I.

On Sunday sea conditions had improved making power and technique critical. The ladies C crew maintained their position in the group stages to finish 82nd overall. The ladies B crew came 43rd, the best result for any Bridport B crew.

The ladies A won their morning heat to be promoted to group C resulting in 30th overall out of 142, the best result ever achieved by the ladies.

The men's B crew battled relegation and then went on to be promoted over choppy seas to achieve 103rd place out of 140.

After promotion in the morning's heat, the men's A crew placed 36th equalling last year's best.

The club achieved their best ever results, the crews would like to thank all those who organised transport of the boats, squad training, social gatherings and also all the coxes, captains and rowers who put in so much effort.

Also a big thank you to Lyme Regis gig club for kindly lending the use of 'Rebel'.

Squads will now begin training for Weymouth regatta at the end of May, and have a busy season ahead.

If you would like to get involved in rowing, squad or general, please visit the website: www.bridportgigclub.org.

For more photos from the World Gig Rowing Championships see our website www.viewnews.co.uk

A view on the Bees

BY STUART BROOM

Bees get Legg up in tight encounter

Wincanton Town A 0 Bridport A 1
Dorset Divison Four

WHETHER it was that having already won the league title, Bridport A did not have quite the same desire or perhaps Wincanton Town played above their station, but this game was much tougher than the Bees have encountered for some time.

The first half finished goalless, but Bridport capitalisedon the slope advantage after the break and dominated.

However, the home keeper made a string of saves including an outstanding effort to deny Rhys Hughes–Williams.

But he was finally beaten when Dominic McAllister crossed for Legg to head home the winner.

Bridport now need just one goal in their last fixture away to Marnhull Reserves on Saturday to bring up their century for the season.

Under starters orders at The Beehive

BRIDPORT Football Club are up and running and looking to get next season's funding under way with a Race Night to be held at the Beehive at St Mary's Field on Saturday, May 27th.

Race sponsorship costs £40 per race and jockeys £5. Horses will be auctioned on the night which starts at 7pm for 7.30pm.

For more info e-mail: bridportfc@btconnect.com or ring Adrian on 07785752522.

Bridport Bowls

Highs and lows for Ladies teams

THE two ladies teams are experiencing contrasting fortunes at the start of the new Dorset League season.

The first team are only held off the top of Division One on shot difference by Broadstone A, whilst Bridport B are rock bottom of Division Two having suffered two heavy defeats.

In Division One Bridport beat Ferndown 77-42. Jill Willcox, Mary Eastman, Laura Taylor, & Pat Cornick were never behind after the first end, winning 23-13. Lyn Craddock, Marion Carter, Rosemary Brooks & Melodie Watts picked up two five counts on their way to a 32-16 victory, and although Frances Hewett, Gill Hunt, Alison Tibble & Margaret Clapp had a closer game, they picked up a four on the 20th to win 19-13.

Bridport B were well beaten 44-62 overall by Wimborne. Liz Newman, Pam Gray, Jan Tattershall & Barbara Iverson led all the way in a splendid 21-13 win, whilst Mary Marsh, Chris Robbins, Margaret Strange & Marion Tocher drew 17-17.

Unfortunately Diane S Butcher, Pauline Newitt, Sheila Jones & Christine Cowdrey suffered a disastrous 39-6 defeat, scoring on just five ends; a wicked wick from the skip on the last end saving the dreaded 40.

The Men's Dorset League B team lost their opening game against Wellworthy 48-52. Roger H Smith, Brian Medland, Roger Herbert, & Mike Craddock led 18-12 after the 17th end, and despite not scoring again managed to hang on for a18-15 victory. Sam Dunn, Eric Link, Geoff Strange & Peter Billett also won through 17-16. However, Mike Stephenson, John Ireland, Bob Willcox & Clive Langdon never got going and went down 21-13.

Bridport A had a comfortable 61-34 victory in their opening South Dorset Men's Division One game against Dorchester A. Dave Roberts, John Carter, Barry Shortland & Brian Conisbee had a solid 18-9 win, whilst Brian Iverson, Tom Tocher, Keith Brooks & Chris Thorne led from the start tn an impressive 27-10 victory. Ben Jones, Bill Payne, Bob Taylor & Brian Rumble were well ahead but lost a five count on the 20th to win 16-15.

The mixed friendly against Weymouth & Melcombe resulted in a a 58-30 win, scores; Liz Newman, Roger H Smith & Jill, Willcox 25-11; Alan Skelton, Neil Craddock & Pat Cornick 14-13; Mary Marsh, Dave Smith & Brian Rumble 19-6.

Lyme Golf

A team call up for Coombe

IT was a mixed day for Hardy B stalwart Rob Coombe. His team were playing Bulbury Woods in a cup game, but Coombe has had a run of good scores so found himself too qualified and played in the Hardy A game against Ashley Wood instead.

Hardy B won their cup game 4-1 so go on to play Ferndown, but despite winning on his debut match, Coombe had to settle for a team draw in the Hardy A game, as Mike Mudford, John Coley, and club captain Mark Lewis also won their games.

The **Midweek Stableford** was won by Gary Vaughan with Mark Scott just pipping Rob Clapp on countback for second spot - both with 36 points.

Vaughan had an excellent back nine to emphasize his victory and Scott had the better back nine to secure second, but it was good to see Clapp successfully return from injury with a competitive score.

The **Ladies May medal** was keenly contested as Susan Moore returned a superb best score of the day a nett 74, and won Division One from Felicity Poole who just beat an in-form Gilly Madill for second spot.

Division Two was keenly contested with Lizzie Linnert just beating Anita Holmes on countback, both with nett 75 while Marilyn Wilson came in third with 76.

The **Junior Order of Merit** competition saw the top three all finish under par as Bradley Searle took top spot with a steady nett 69 from Mannie Wellman who just beat Lewis Gibbons on countback both on nett 70.

PROMOTED: Rob Coombe

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Bailey stands down as Blues manager

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AFTER guiding Portland United to arguably their most successful period in the club's history, manager Gary Bailey has decided to stand down.

The decision, taken at last Friday's committee meeting came as a shock on the back of the Blues winning the Wessex League Premier League this season, their highest ever position in the football pyramid.

However, the Blues boss, who has been in charge for four seasons, feels he has taken the side as far as he can and is finding it increasingly hard to juggle his work commitments with managing the club.

His statement on the club's website said: "I have made the difficult decision to stand down from my position as 1st Team Manager of Portland United FC. It was a decision not taken lightly but I feel I have taken the side as far as I can, and on the back of such a fantastic season the time is right for me to step away.

"It's not very often in football you get the opportunity leave a position on a high note but after four years in charge we have been League Champions three times and runners up on the other occasion.

"Securing two promotions and to win the Wessex Premier League at the first time of asking back at that level was the pinnacle of my time as manager at the club.

"Once the dust had settled after such an exciting climax to the season, I gave myself some thinking time and after much soul searching the decision to leave feels right.

"Juggling work with football was becoming increasingly challenging and managing Portland United is a job that requires 100 per cent commitment - giving it less than that was never an option for me.

"I know I will miss it but I've had a fantastic four seasons and would like to thank chairman Robin Satherley and all of the committee for giving me the opportunity at the club, and for their full support and hard work during my time in charge.

"Also, all those who have worked with me in the backroom team who have been as much a part of the success as I have.

"Last, but certainly not least, the players, especially those who have been there for the whole journey from DPL, have been fantastic and have given me their all during my time as manager which is all I could of asked of them.

"I'm looking forward to a relaxing, stress-free summer which is something I haven't had for as long as I can remember.

"Portland United will always remain close to me and their results will be the first one I look for when the season starts again.

"When I look back on how far the club has come during my time as manager it's something I'm very proud to have been part of and I wish everyone connected with the club continued success in taking the club forward."

The search is now on for a replacement, and chairman Robin Satherley has confirmed that they have already received four applications, all managers with Wessex League experience.

One who will not be looking to fill the role is Bailey's current assistant Mark Carter.

The former Weymouth Reserves manager joined the Blues at the beginning of last season from Bridport where he had been Trevor Senior's number two.

He was full of praise for his boss and what he had achieved, but said that he had neither the time or commitment to step up to the top job, and would await developments at Grove Corner as to his future.

ENDING ON A HIGH: Gary Bailey

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